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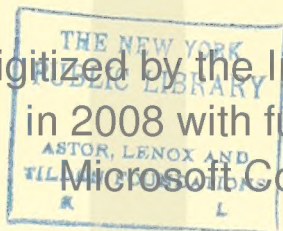
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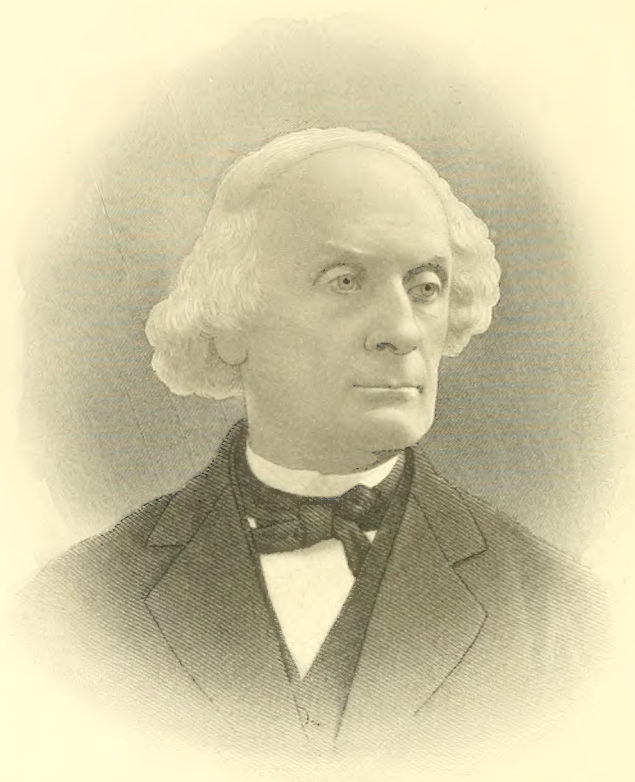






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has been no radical changes in the successful methods of the past, modern methods and modern facilities are given their full and proper place. Dr. Thaeler, the principal, is conducting the school along the best lines of educational systems, and in his own personality and acquirement ranks with the many educators who have preceded him during the Hall's existence. He is a son of Samuel L. and Marie Louise (Gruhl) Thaeler, his parents residing at the time of their son's birth on the island of St. Christopher (or St. Kitts), one of the British West India islands, belonging to the Leeward group of the Lesser Antilles.

Arthur David Thaeler was born in St. Christopher, British West Indies, October 21, 1871. He is a graduate of Nazareth Hall Military Academy, class of 1886; and of the Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, A.B., 1890; B.D., 1892. From his *alma mater* he received the D.D. degree in 1917. In 1892 he was ordained a minister of the Moravian church, and in that year was appointed assistant pastor of the Salem, North Carolina, congregation, and pastor of Calvary Church in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. From 1901 until 1918 he was head pastor of the Moravian church in Bethlehem, resigning to accept appointment on April 15, 1918, to the principalship of Nazareth Hall Military Academy. He is a trustee of the Moravian College and Theological Seminary, his *alma mater*. He is independent in political action, a man of broad vision and public spirit, devoted to the work to which he has dedicated his life.

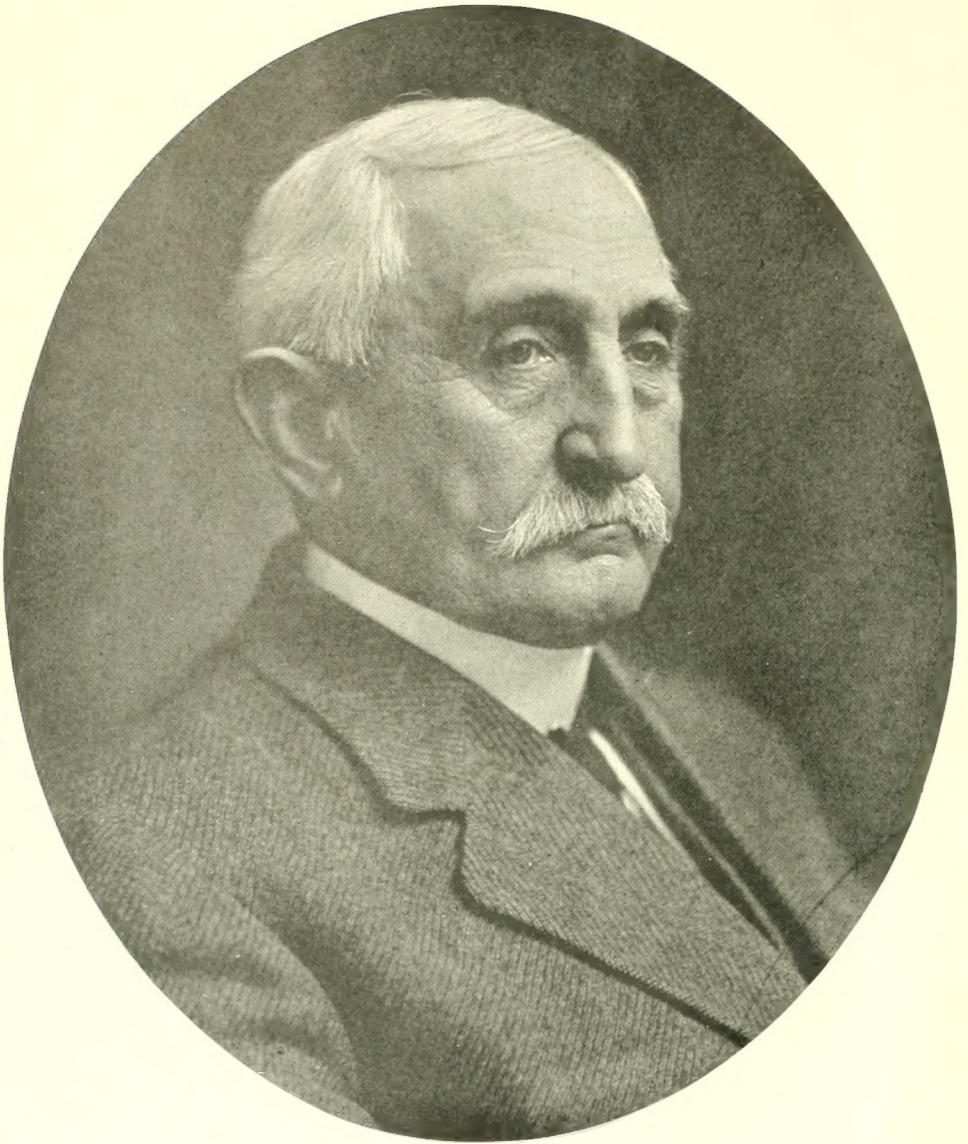
Dr. Thaeler married, October 30, 1894, Ruth Caroline Schropp, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, daughter of Abraham S. and Caroline (Guether) Schropp. Dr. and Mrs. Thaeler are the parents of five children, the two eldest born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, the others in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania: Louise, born December 12, 1895; Abraham S., born November 19, 1898; Arthur David, Jr., born October 12, 1902; Charles S., born May 29, 1906; Caroline G., born June 18, 1913.

**ISAAC L. KRESSLER**—Kresslers were living in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, at the time of the Revolution, and from the first settlement until the present members of the family have been men of prominence in their communities. Among the twentieth century representatives of the family who have won their way to important place in the business life of their communities, Isaac L. Kressler, cashier of the Merchants' National Bank of Bangor, must be named. He is a son of Jacob Kressler, of Upper Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, and a grandson of Charles Kressler, of the same township. Charles Kressler was born, lived and died in Upper Mount Bethel, and there during his active business years plied the shoemaker's trade. He married Susan Emery, and they were the parents of eight children: Jacob, of further mention; Henry; Catherine, married Reuben LeBar, of Portland, Pennsylvania; Elizabeth, married Daniel Richards, of Illinois; Christina, married Jacob Miller; Matilda, married Samuel Delp; Susan, married Daniel Reichard; Sarah, married Dr. Daniel Snyder, a practicing physician, now of Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Jacob Kressler was born in Upper Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there passed his youth. When a young man he settled at Ackermanville, in the same county, and there for some years engaged in farming. Later he moved to Bangor, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in brick manufacturing, being a pioneer in that business there. He prospered abundantly in his business enterprises, and in making his investments he was partial to real estate, his holding at one time including all that section now known as North Bangor. This property he later sold to the John Brown Estate. He was one of the incorporators of the S. Flory Manufacturing Company, of Bangor, and held his stock interest in that company until his death. In politics he was a Republican, taking an active part in







Gen. William E. Doster

local affairs, sitting as a member of the Borough Council and serving as a school director. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Bangor Evangelical Lutheran Church. Jacob Kressler married Anna M. Reimel, and they were the parents of six sons: William H., of Mount Bethel; Charles F., of Bangor; Edwin J., deceased; John W., of Dunmore, Pennsylvania; Jacob C., deceased; and Isaac L., of further mention.

Isaac L. Kressler, youngest son of Jacob and Anna M. (Reimel) Kressler, was born in Bangor, Pennsylvania, November 24, 1886. He was educated in the public schools, and at the old Fredericksburg Academy, and during his years of minority was associated with his father in his business enterprises. In 1887, having attained legal age he, in association with others, organized and incorporated the Merchants' National Bank of Bangor, Mr. Kressler entering the service of the new institution as bookkeeper. He continued in that and in positions of increased responsibility until 1915, when he was elected by the board of directors cashier of the bank, his present position. He has proven the wisdom of this selection by administering the duties of his position with rare skill and judgment, his ability, tact and personality strengthening the influence of the bank with the people and winning with this confidence, friendship and good will.

Mr. Kressler is a member and a trustee of the First United Evangelical Church of Bangor, and ever since the organization of the local commandery of the Knights of Malta, he has been treasurer of that body. In his political faith he is a Prohibitionist. He married (first) Mary E. Long, who died November 30, 1916, daughter of Augustus R. and Sarah B. (Paul) Long. They were the parents of two children: Edgar R., born May 16, 1900; and Sarah R., born May 30, 1908. Mr. Kressler married (second) in June, 1917, Flora B. (Buzzard) Ott, widow of Hiram Ott. The family residence is in Bangor, Pennsylvania.

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**GEN. WILLIAM E. DOSTER**—At eighty-two years of age and still practicing law, president of the Lehigh Valley National Bank of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and until recently a familiar figure on his high mettled horse, taking his daily horseback ride, General Doster could claim at least to be something out of the ordinary, if not an extraordinary man, as his friends will rightfully insist. He was a veteran lawyer and a veteran soldier, an author, financier, journalist and business man. His position as a lawyer was among the leaders learned in the law, and he was forceful, eloquent and very skillful in presentation. "Pennsylvania Reports" teem with cases which he has successfully fought through the higher courts; although not all his legal battles were winning ones, his fame as an attorney often attracted retainers from the losing side of the controversy. He was of a family long and prominently identified with Bethlehem, tracing to Dr. Daniel Doster, the founder of the family, who landed in Philadelphia more than a century ago.

The family is traced to Martin Doster, who left his home in Saxony about 1650, and settled in Württemberg, Germany. He was the father of John Valentine Doster, born in 1667, at Niederhofen, near Heilbronn in Württemberg, and there died in 1759. He married Susanna Stoll, and they were the parents of John Philip Doster, born 1729, died 1781. He was for many years mayor of Niederhofen, a man of usefulness and influence. He married Rosina Maisenhaelder, and their seventh child was Dr. Daniel Doster, the founder of the family in Pennsylvania, and grandfather of Gen. William E. Doster, late of Bethlehem.

Dr. Daniel Doster was born at Niederhofen in 1763, and died in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1830. He came to Pennsylvania, landing at Philadelphia, January 11, 1817, and here founded a family, one branch known as the Lancaster, another the Northampton branch, of which General Doster was representative. Dr. Daniel Doster married Marguerite Keppler, and located in



Philadelphia, first opening an office at No. 33 Coates street, but later moving to Lancaster, where he practiced his profession until his death. Dr. Doster had a son, Lewis, and a daughter, Elizabeth. She was born in 1800, married Charles Ortel, of Philadelphia, and died in 1843 without issue.

Lewis Doster, son of the founder, Dr. Daniel Doster, was born at Niederhofen, Germany, July 26, 1796, and came to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with the family in 1817. He remained in Philadelphia until 1826, then, at the request of the Moravian Society, came to Bethlehem to manage the society's woolen mill on Water street, which plant he afterward bought. He greatly extended the plant, which he named the Monocacy Woolen Mills, and continued as their managing owner and head until his death in 1860. His sons continued the operation of the plant for two years after their father's death, when it was destroyed by fire. This does not express the activity of Lewis Doster in an unlimited degree, for he was engaged also in the lumber business, as well as in other commercial enterprises, and he was recognized as the leading business man of Bethlehem. When Bethlehem was created a borough, he was chosen a member of the Bethlehem Guards, he having served in the German army. Lewis Doster married Pauline Louise Eggert, daughter of Matthew and Maria (Rupert) Eggert, granddaughter of Christian Eggert, who came to Bethlehem in 1746, and a maternal granddaughter of Adam Rupert, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Adam Rupert enlisted in 1776 and served during the Revolution with the Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania line, commanded by Colonel Hampton and Lieutenant-Colonel Hubbey, of Lancaster. After her father's death, Mrs. Maria (Rupert) Eggert received a warrant for lands situated in Mercer county, Pennsylvania, which property was awarded him for Revolutionary service. Matthew Eggert, father of Mrs. Lewis Doster, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in 1763, and died there in 1831. From 1792 until 1802 he was superintendent of the Single Brethren's House at Lititz, Pennsylvania, and taught at the Boys' School at Bethlehem, 1808-14. He was a member of the building committee which in 1803 erected the famous Moravian church at Bethlehem, and he was a man of usefulness as long as he lived. At the time of his death, May 27, 1860, Lewis and Pauline Louise (Eggert) Doster were the parents of eight children, none of whom are living: 1. Charles Edmund, born in 1829, died in 1864; a business man; during the Civil War was quartermaster of the Thirty-fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry, Colonel Albright commanding. 2. Lewis L., born in 1831, died in 1893; a lumber merchant of Philadelphia; married Emma, daughter of Jacob Luckenbach, and left issue. 3. Herman Augustus, born in 1833; married Emily, daughter of Dr. Charles Detwiller, and has two daughters living: Mrs. Pauline Facht, of Trenton, Pennsylvania; and Elizabeth Lyman, widow of Frank Lyman, of Michigan. 4. Albert Theodore, born in 1835; married, in 1862, Harris Hill, of Summit Hill, Pennsylvania, and left issue. 5. William E., whose long and useful life is the inspiration of this review. 6. Louise M., born in 1842, died in 1876; wife of George L. Baum, and left issue. 7. Henry Edward, born 1844, died in 1877; a veteran of the Civil War, serving as corporal in the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and on detached service in the office of his brother, William E., recently deceased, in Washington, District of Columbia; he married Mary L. Ripple, of Scranton, and left issue. 8. Ellen B., born in 1851, died in 1863. Other children died prior to their father's decease.

William E. Doster, seventh son of Lewis and Pauline Louise (Eggert) Doster, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, January 8, 1837, and continued his residence in his native city, an active consulting lawyer and man of affairs until his death, which occurred July 2, 1919, aged eighty-two years and five months. Death followed a six weeks' illness, superinduced by an attack of influenza, from which he never recovered. He is survived by five children: Mrs. John Knight, of New York City; Wadsworth, of Torrington, Connecti-



cut; Alexis, of Litchfield, Massachusetts; Mrs. B. E. Cole, of Bethlehem; and Mrs. J. R. Lowell Otis, of New York.

William E. Doster, after early attendance at the Moravian Parochial School, now Moravian Preparatory School, entered Van Kirk Academy, passing thence to Yale College, whence he was graduated A.B., class of 1857. He began the study of law under the direction of Andrew Reeder, the eminent lawyer of Easton, Pennsylvania, later territorial governor of Kansas. He afterwards entered Harvard Law School, whence he was graduated LL.B. He completed legal study at Heidelberg, Germany, and Paris, France, then returned to Pennsylvania, and in 1861 was reading law in Philadelphia. When war was declared between the States of the North and South, he enlisted, and on August 15, 1861, was mustered into the service of his country as captain of Company A, Fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania Cavalry. The following October he was promoted to the rank of major, and in February, 1862, he was appointed provost-marshal of the District of Columbia to succeed Gen. Andrew Porter. This post included the command of a brigade of troops, also a flotilla on Chesapeake bay, and was held until early in the spring of 1863, when he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel, and returned to his regiment, the Fourth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He served with his regiment under Generals Averill, Stoneman, Pleasanton, Kilpatrick and Gregg, the famed cavalry leaders of the Army of the Potomac. He was engaged at disastrous Chancellorsville in command of the Second Brigade of the Third Division of the Cavalry Corps, and at Gettysburg was on the right under General Gregg. He resigned his command in 1864, and was honorably discharged and mustered out brevet brigadier-general. He was admitted to the bar at Easton, Pennsylvania, but for one year practiced in Washington, District of Columbia, engaged in trials before military commissions and courts-martial. He was engaged for the defence in the trial of the conspirators against the life of President Lincoln, and also defended Payne and Atzerott for their murderous attack on Secretary Seward. After these celebrated cases were disposed of, he returned to Pennsylvania, and until 1873 practiced law in Easton. He then went to his native and well loved Bethlehem, which afterwards was the seat of his practice and the scene of his professional and business triumphs.

Learned in the law, skillful in its applications, loyal to a client's interest and an untiring worker, he was a formidable antagonist from his first entrance to the Pennsylvania bar, and as the years progressed he won high reputation as one of the most able lawyers. He gave especial attention to the law of corporations, and in that branch of the law he had no superiors at the Northampton bar. From 1867 to 1879 he was register in bankruptcy for the Eleventh Congressional District, and for thirty-five years was counsel for the Bethlehem Iron (now Steel) Company, and for the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company. Many other corporations were served during his half century at the Northampton bar, and many are the cases he successfully tried, many are the large estates that he honorably administered, and many are the differences he has succeeded in having settled without recourse to law. He delivered a series of lectures at Lehigh University in 1879 by the request of the faculty. His subject was, "Practice in the County Courts of Pennsylvania." His fame rests upon his long and uniformly successful practice in the courts of Northampton and adjoining counties, although he was for long a practitioner in all State and Federal courts of Pennsylvania, and in the United States Supreme Court. He always practiced alone, and as a trial lawyer he was ranked with the best in Pennsylvania.

General Doster served his profession loyally and faithfully, but nevertheless made several excursions into the business world with tangible result and lasting benefit. In 1867 he joined with David Godshalk and founded the *Weekly Chronicle*, which was later the *Bethlehem Daily Times*. In 1869 he

joined with his brother, Herman A. Doster, in organizing the New Street Steel Bridge Company, of which he was president up to the time of his death, 1869- 1919. In 1907 he was elected president of the Lehigh Valley National Bank, which office he held at the time of his death, and was also a director of the Minsi Trail Bridge Company. Real estate has long been his favorite investment, and Bethlehem with its surrounding farm lands was his favored locality. Ten fine farms were owned by him, and these farms are all named after the members of William Penn's family.

Although a home-loving man, General Doster was a world-wide traveler, having crossed the Atlantic more than thirty times. Paris and the French people always held a strong appeal for him, and he suffered with them in their great trial from which they so triumphantly emerged, after more than four years of national martyrdom. Horseback riding was another of his favored recreations, and only his last severe illness caused him to forego his daily rides. He had a summer home in New Hampshire, which often claimed him, also a New York City dwelling and a farm on Long Island, and he has traveled extensively in his own America.

His career at the bar precluded personal interest in political affairs, and he never sought nor held aught but professional offices. In 1891 he delivered the Sesqui-Centennial oration at Bethlehem, but with that exception has declined the numerous invitations to act as orator of the day on occasions of popular celebrations. He was a Republican in politics, a member of the J. K. Taylor Post No. 182, Grand Army of the Republic, and a member of the Lincoln Republican Association. His clubs were the Bethlehem, the Lehigh Country, and the Alpha Delta Phi. While provost-marshal, General Doster saw much of President Lincoln, whom he came to admire and reverence deeply. In 1915 he published his book, "Reminiscences of the Civil War and of President Lincoln," a work alive with interest and teeming with intimate references to the great president whose cruel death caused a nation to mourn. He was a member of the legal societies, local, State and national, and had a well chosen library from which he gained his wide and comprehensive knowledge of the world history, languages and people, supplemented by his extensive travels. His life was wonderful in its length and usefulness, for he claimed no immunity on any account, but met every obligation that his position demanded, and was one of the men of today, not yesterday.

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**WILLIAM DAVID LANDIS, PH.B.**—Since embracing pedagogy as his profession, Professor Landis has made rapid strides forward, and hardly yet in the prime of his splendid powers the future holds for him brilliant promise. He is a descendant of an ancient Bucks county family, his ancestor coming to America and the State of Pennsylvania shortly after William Penn. John Landis, the pioneer ancestor of this Landis branch, came to Pennsylvania from the borders of Switzerland about the year 1700, and located for a time in the neighborhood of Philadelphia. He was accompanied to this country by Benjamin Landis, presumably his brother, who was a Mennonite minister, John Landis also being a member of that sect. Rev. Benjamin Landis later settled in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, where he has numerous descendants. John Landis followed the trend of German emigration up the Schuylkill river and its tributaries, eventually locating in Milford township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased land in 1743. He died in 1750, leaving several sons and a widow, Anne, only two of his sons, however, Jacob and Samuel, being mentioned in his will. Jacob was made one of the two executors of the will, but the farm was left to Samuel, he to have possession when the youngest son should be nineteen years of age, "which will be in 1759."

In 1762, Peter Landis, one of these sons, it is believed, was assessed £4 in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county. His son, Jacob Landis, born

January 1, 1750, died June 1, 1847, and was buried in the old Mennonite Cemetery between Coopersburg and Center Valley, in Lehigh county, as was also his wife, Barbara (Mayer) Landis, born in October, 1759, died April 7, 1844. They were living in Lower Saucon township, Lehigh county, in 1790. David Landis, grandfather of William D. Landis, of Northampton county and borough, was a substantial farmer of Bucks county, and born about 1810. He married Susan Jacoby, and they were the parents of eleven daughters and two sons, all of whom reached adult years, a thirteenth child dying when young. The elder of the two sons was David J. Landis, who is of further mention.

David J. Landis was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, in December, 1850, and there grew to manhood, later settling in Northampton county, locating at Hellertown, where he engaged in the green grocery business for several years. He then entered the employ of the government, and for several years was engaged in public work at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, finally purchasing a farm near Hellertown, where he is living a quiet, retired life. Honesty and devotion to his family have ever been strong characteristics of the man, and he has won his place in county life in a fair and honorable manner. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Evangelical church of Hellertown. He married Elemina E. Hillegass, born at Hellertown, daughter of David Hillegass, a one-time commissioner of Northampton county, and one of the well known Democrats of the county. Mrs. Landis is a member of the Evangelical church, a woman of strong Christian character. Mr. and Mrs. Landis are the parents of seven children, three daughters and four sons, to whom the parents gave all the educational advantages within their power. William David, of further mention; Edgar S., who died August 10, 1918, a well known educator and school superintendent; Carrie, married John Kressler, and resides near Ironville, Pennsylvania; Florence, married Harvey Bauder, and resides at Hellertown, Pennsylvania; Annie, married Clayton J. Judd, and resides at Hellertown; Robert C., also an educator; Stanley B., who stands high in the same profession.

William David Landis, eldest son of David J. and Elemina E. (Hillegass) Landis, was born at Hellertown, Pennsylvania, February 24, 1876. He began his studies in the public schools and attended the Hellertown and Lower Saucon township schools until their advantages were exhausted. He then entered the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, and continued his attendance there until graduated with the class of 1898. The following years were spent in post-graduate study at Kutztown State Normal, where he pursued a scientific course until graduation with the degree of M.S., class of 1901. In 1917 he received from Muhlenberg College the degree Ph.B. These years were not devoted solidly to acquiring his own education, but from 1891 he taught in the county schools, his first position being at Shimersville, where he taught for two school years, his compensation being thirty-two dollars monthly. His next school was at Wassergass, where his pay was increased to forty dollars; then came Leithsville, two years; Emaus, in Lehigh county, where he was principal of the high school for four years. In 1905 he was appointed supervising principal of Northampton public schools. In 1907 the Board of Education created the office of superintendent of public schools for the borough of Northampton, and to that post called Mr. Landis. For ten years he has now filled that office, and how well he has filled it the splendid efficiency of the schools must attest. Superintendent Landis has under his jurisdiction five schools employing forty-five teachers furnishing instruction daily to 1,651 pupils. While he devotes himself unreservedly to his work, Mr. Landis is himself a student, not only of methods, theory and practice, but is a personal student, belonging to classes, and is taking the non-resident graduate course at Albright College, Myerstown, Pennsylvania, which, when completed, will confer upon him the degree Master of Arts. Broad-minded,



progressive, public-spirited and devoted to his profession, he is the ideal educator, and well known. He is in the forefront of every movement for the public good, and his interest is deep in the borough and its institutions, with which he has been so long connected.

Professor Landis was one of the incorporators and is a director of the Allen Trust Company of Northampton; is affiliated with Chapman Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Northampton; Siegfried Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is a past high priest; Allen Commandery, Knights Templar, of Allentown; and Lulu Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Patriotic Sons of America, of Northampton; both lodge and encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; of Rebekah Lodge, Order of the Eastern Star; and of the Evangelical church of Hellertown.

**CHARLES JENNINGS MONTAGUE** Now located in ample quarters at Nos. 237-239 Northampton street, Easton, Mr. Montague is head of a prosperous business, the largest of its kind in the city of Easton. He has been connected with the book and stationery business since July 10, 1876, when, as a boy of thirteen, he entered the employ of William Maxwell, whom he succeeded in business at the latter's death, twenty-six years later. Forty-three years have elapsed since the boy entered the Maxwell store, and the changes have been many, but the love of books that distinguished the boy has not changed, and the veteran bookseller preserves that boyhood interest in spite of all changes of time, method and environment.

Charles J. Montague is a descendant of Peter Montague, born in Boveny, Burnham, Buckinghamshire, England, who, when eighteen years of age, came from England to the American colonies, settling in Virginia, where he established a home and founded a family. He was a man of character and ability, and he expanded into a citizen of influence and usefulness. He aided in establishing the first church and the first school in the colony of Virginia, and was called to various positions of honor and responsibility.

Peter Montague, the founder, was succeeded by his son Peter (2) Montague, to whom he bequeathed large tracts of Virginia land located on the Rappahannock river. He was born in Nansemond county, Virginia, in 1631 or 1632. He married Elizabeth Morris, and was succeeded by his son Peter (3) Montague in 1666, died in 1702. Peter (3) Montague was the father of Thomas J. Montague, whose second wife, Penelope, bore him a son, William.

That William Montague was born June 14, 1730, and lived in Middlesex county, Virginia, married Carhune Montague, daughter of Abraham Montague, and had a son, William (2).

William (2) Montague was born about 1756, served in the Revolutionary War, and was wounded in an engagement on Chesapeake bay. He married, January 14, 1790, Elizabeth Valentine, daughter of Edward Valentine, of Augusta county, Virginia, and lived near the village of Montague, Virginia. They were the parents of a son, William Valentine Montague.

William Valentine Montague, head of the seventh generation of the family, was born September 3, 1797, married, in December, 1824, Mary Ann Barrack, and in 1828 moved to Norfolk county, Virginia, thence in 1829 to the town of Norfolk. His wife died September 24, 1840, and he married (second) Esther Hatton, a widow, and moved to Princess Anne county. He died in Norfolk, Virginia, in 1865, his wife surviving him but one year.

Robert Valentine Montague, son of William Valentine Montague, and his first wife, Mary Ann Barrack, was born at Montague, Virginia, September 28, 1827. He was a graduate of William and Mary College, and until the failure of his health in 1855, and his enforced removal to the North, he was active and prominent, filling several public positions. In 1855 he moved with his family to New York City, and later to Easton, Pennsylvania, where

he made his home until his death, April 4, 1866. He was assistant postmaster at Easton during most of his stay, and in that, as in other trusts, he worthily acquitted himself. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, a Republican in politics, and a man of high personal character.

Mr. Montague married, in Virginia, June 28, 1847, Margaret Elizabeth Robertson, daughter of John and Ann Robertson, of Princess Anne county, Virginia. They were the parents of ten children, the first three born in Virginia, the fourth in New York City, the others in Easton, Pennsylvania: Elizabeth Virginia, born in February, 1848, married Dr. E. L. Evans; Mary Lewis, born in February, 1850, died May 14, 1894, wife of Prof. J. J. Hardy, of Lafayette College; Helen Walker, born July 4, 1851, died June 22, 1871, wife of J. Wesley Evans; William Barrack, born April 17, 1854; Robert John, born December 25, 1856; Alice Josephine, born September 4, 1858; Harry Howard, born August 6, 1860, died August 26, 1860; Frank Leslie, born October 6, 1861; Charles Jennings, of further mention; Lelia Virginia, born September 22, 1865, married Frank E. Crater, of Easton. Mrs. Margaret E. Montague was a woman of strong character and amiable disposition, who, when left with limited means and a large family of children, gave herself without limit to their service, kept them together, gave them each an excellent education and lived to see them all well established in life and in homes of their own. She died February 14, 1894, her youngest child then twenty-nine years of age.

Charles Jennings Montague, youngest son and ninth child of Robert V. and Margaret E. (Robertson) Montague, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, October 26, 1863, and there yet resides, a substantial merchant. He was but three years of age when his father died, and at the age of twelve he left school to aid in the maintenance of the home. On July 10, 1876, he entered the employ of William Maxwell, and there he found not only congenial occupation and the means of increasing his educational equipment, but also a lifetime occupation. The Maxwell store was devoted to the sale of books and stationery, and while the work was close and confining, the lad had abundant opportunities for reading and study, his good sense leading him to improve them to the fullest extent. He formed a strong attachment for his elderly employer, and as Mr. Maxwell advanced him in rank and compensation the position was a very pleasant one. As Mr. Maxwell increased in years, he leaned more heavily upon his assistant, and in time Mr. Montague was virtually managing the business. On January 1, 1902, Mr. Maxwell having passed away, Mr. Montague purchased the business from the estate, and is still its able head. In 1907 he removed from the old location to more adequate and suitable quarters at Nos. 237-239 Northampton street, the larger store enabling him to carry larger and more varied stocks of books, stationery and kindred lines. The Montague store is the largest, best equipped and stocked bookstore in the city, and the building it occupies is owned by its proprietor. He is one of Easton's substantial, enterprising citizens, and is held in high esteem for his manly, upright character, and his pleasing personality.

Mr. Montague is a member of Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Montague married, June 7, 1888, Mary A. Siegfried, and they are the parents of four children: Charles Leslie; Lelia Virginia, married Donald A. Geiser, of Easton, now an instructor at Germantown Academy, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of a daughter, Jane Montague Geiser; William Maxwell, died October 6, 1906; Louise, residing with her parents.

**FRED ERASTUS WARD, M.D.** Immediately after his graduation in medicine in 1900, Dr. Ward went West and spent one year in hospital practice in Wyoming. It was not until 1909, however, that he returned to his native Easton and began the general practice of his profession. During the years which have since intervened, Dr. Ward has won a high degree of public favor, and is numbered among the most skillful and successful of the younger generation of physicians. Dr. Ward is a grandson of Michael Ward, who for many years was proprietor of the historic "Bull's Head Tavern" on Third street, and one of the substantial men of his day. Michael Ward was the father of Benjamin Ward, born in Jacobsburg, Pennsylvania, who for many years was a merchant of Easton, Pennsylvania, where he took a prominent part in civic affairs, and aided in founding St. Luke's Lutheran Church of that city. He married Permilla M. Hawk, and they are the parents of Fred E., whose career is herein traced.

Dr. Fred E. Ward was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, November 10, 1882. He finished public school study with graduation from high school, class of 1899. He spent two years at Lafayette College, but withdrew upon the completion of his sophomore year to begin professional study at Medico-Chirurgical Medical College of Philadelphia. He continued at Medico-Chirurgical College until graduated M.D. with the class of 1906, then for one year was resident physician at Wyoming General Hospital, Rock Springs, Wyoming. He returned to Pennsylvania in 1907, and located in Berwick, there remaining two years. In 1909 he took a post-graduate course at Harvard Medical School, and the same year located permanently at Easton, the city of his birth, where he is well established in general practice. He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania Medical Society, the American Medical Association, and the medical staff of Easton Hospital.

Dr. Ward is a Republican in politics, and prior to the inauguration of the commission form of government in Easton was a member of Common Council. He is the present public school medical inspector, and gives close attention to the duties of that office. He is a member of Knapp Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and in Scottish Rite Masonry has attained the thirty-second degree; member of Tall Cedars of Lebanon, of which he was grand tall cedar for 1919, and a past senior and junior deputy. His religious affiliation is with St. Luke's Lutheran Church, his college fraternity, Phi Rho Sigma, his clubs the Pomfret and Northampton Republican.

On April 2, 1907, Dr. Ward married Ruth B. Williams, daughter of Dr. Cyrenius and Margaret (Barndt) Williams. Mrs. Ward was born in Easton, and is a graduate of the city high school, is a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Easton Hospital, and is active in Red Cross, church and charitable work. Dr. and Mrs. Ward are the parents of four children: Frederick Williams, Robert Benjamin, Ruth Katherine and Jane Louise.

**RICHARD J. LIPPEY**—With rented bench room and a capital of less than five dollars, Richard J. Lippey began business in Easton as an independent patternmaker, a trade of which he is master. He offered his services to the trade as a maker of patterns, and to that offer there was instant response. So well has he pleased those who have availed themselves of his skill that the demand has necessitated frequent expansion, until he has today a plant investment of about \$20,000, and the distinction of operating the only exclusive pattern-making shop in Northampton county. He is a grandson of James Lippey, an officer in the British army, who died in England about 1857, and a son of Richard Lippey, born in 1848 on the Isle of Wight, an island and an administrative county of England in the English channel.





*P. J. Lippey*



Richard Lippey remained in England until attaining legal age, several years of that period of his life having been spent in the British navy. In 1869 he came to the United States, locating in Glendon, a suburb of Easton, Pennsylvania. He there became a foundryman, and until the closing down of the Glendon Iron Works was a general foreman of the works. He then entered the employ of the Ingersoll-Sargeant Drill Company, and was successively with that company, the Sterlingworth Railway Supply Company, and the Phillipsburg plant of the Ingersoll-Rand Company. Richard Lippey married, in Glendon, Pennsylvania, Agnes Jones, born in England in 1853, daughter of Moses and Hannah Jones. She came with her parents to the United States when a girl of seventeen, settling with them in Glendon, where Moses Jones entered the employ of the Glendon Iron Works. Later he moved to Charlestown, Maine, where he died. His widow, Hannah, then returned to Pennsylvania, and at the age of ninety-six died in the city of Philadelphia. Moses and Hannah Jones were the parents of six children: Agnes, married Richard Lippey; Jennie, married John Wellington, and resides in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania; Hannah, married Emanuel Chew, of Philadelphia; Henry, married Tamelia George, of Easton, Pennsylvania, and now resides in Jersey City, New Jersey; Mary, died in Maine; Moses, died unmarried in Philadelphia.

Richard J. Lippey, son of Richard and Agnes (Jones) Lippey, was born in the village of Glendon, near Easton, July 12, 1875, and there grew to manhood. He was educated in the public schools of Glendon, but he was only a boy when he began wage-earning at the Glendon Iron Works, where his first job was that of a boiler cleaner. He then served an apprenticeship of three years at cabinet-making under William E. Garis, the Garis shops being on North Green street, Easton. After completing his apprenticeship he was in the employ of Lundy & Otto for three years, their shops at the corner of Bank and Church streets, their specialties clocks and high-grade furniture. In 1897, Mr. Lippey entered the employ of the Ingersoll-Rand Company, then known as the Ingersoll-Sargeant Drill Company. He was connected with the West Easton plant of the company, and there he took up pattern-making, serving a regular apprenticeship, although he was an expert woodworker and a journeyman cabinetmaker. He served three years with the Ingersoll Company as apprentice, then as a journeyman for two years, after which he was with the Easton Foundry & Machine Company as a journeyman patternmaker for three and one-half years. His next engagement was with Wilson Brothers, manufacturers of grinding mills, his connection with that firm continuing until May 1, 1908, when Mr. Lippey began business under his own name. His beginning was very modest, and his bench room was rented from Theodore Hester. He found patrons readily and soon he was in his own shop, a room 24 by 30 feet, on Ferry street. He continued at Nos. 327-329 Ferry street until June 14, 1910, removing to Nos. 39-41 North Sitgreaves street, there occupying a space 34 by 55 feet. On November 7, 1912, he moved to his present quarters at Nos. 16-28 South Sitgreaves street, with space 55 by 70 feet, with a loft of the same dimensions for storage. He manufactures patterns for foundries and mills, and his is the only job pattern shop in the county. His business has grown to large proportions, the accuracy of his patterns having been thoroughly established, a fact which has won him the loyal support of those whose business success depends upon the excellence of the castings they turn out. His line covers a wide field, but his merit has won him the confidence of manufacturers and pattern users. In addition to his private business, Mr. Lippey has a large interest in the Quako Bottling Company, of which he is president and general manager. The company manufactures soft drinks of great variety in their plant, which is located at the corner of Pine and West streets, Easton.

Since 1899, Mr. Lippey has resided in Easton. He was a member of the First Methodist Church at Glendon, serving as secretary of the board of



trustees. His family hold membership with the South Presbyterian Church, Easton. In politics he is a Republican, serving his city at the present time (1918) as a member of the school board. He is a member of Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Forest No. 35, Tall Cedars of Lebanon; Lehigh Lodge No. 244, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Easton Encampment No. 138, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Canton Lafayette No. 22, Patriarchs Militant; Charity Lodge No. 3, Daughters of Rebekah, for nine years its treasurer and degree master; Heraclius Sanatorium, Oriental Order of Humility and Perfection; Amana Lodge No. 77, Knights of Pythias; the Historical Society of Northampton county; the Rotary Club of Easton, Pennsylvania; the Young Men's Christian Association of Easton, one of the most active members of the last-named organization. He has passed the chairs of the subordinate lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the chairs of the Pennsylvania Grand Encampment of the order, and is senior ranking officer of the Department of Pennsylvania, and yet Brigade Commander, an office he will relinquish to become department commander. He was appointed to the high honor of Supreme Monarch of the Oriental Order, and assumed office August 16, 1919.

During the period of the United States' participation in the World War. Mr. Lippey took a leading part in various activities of the government and authorized relief organizations, his services especially valuable in the five Liberty Loan drives, and acknowledged by a gratifying letter of appreciation from the officials of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. His citizenship is progressive and disinterested, and his enthusiastic support is a dependable factor in all enterprises for civic betterment.

Mr. Lippey married, in Easton, December 27, 1900, Katie Ferguson, of that city. They are the parents of six children: Evelyn M., a high school student; Kenneth E.; Irene Ethel; Florence, deceased; Russell, deceased; Grace Edith. The family home is a fine double dwelling, No. 1039 Lincoln avenue, which Mr. Lippey built in 1903.

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**GEORGE BELFORD SHERRY**—As proprietor and manager of the Easton Brass & Machine Works, Nos. 143-151 Ferry street, Easton, Mr. Sherry is reaping the benefit of former years of experience and study. He is complete master of his business, and to the practical knowledge gained in shop, foundry and mill, he adds the learning of books and technical college study. The Easton Brass & Machine Works deal in wrought iron pipe, fittings, valves, injectors, brass and bronze castings, there being little in the way of mill machine supplies the works cannot supply. Mr. Sherry established his plant in 1901, and has conducted it very successfully until the present.

He is a son of George Sherry, born in Sussex county, New Jersey, in 1816, died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, May 11, 1893, a general contractor. George Sherry married Susanna Wilhelm, of Easton, born there in 1826, died May 27, 1888. They were the parents of nine children, three of whom are living: Ira C., of Waukegan, Illinois, the oldest living Lehigh Valley conductor; George Belford, of Easton; Samuel, of Bethlehem. George Sherry was a son of John Sherry, who died at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania.

George Belford Sherry was born at Hackelbernie, a small mining village near the city of Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, February 5, 1858. His early years were passed in Hellertown, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. His first school teacher was Philip B. Lerch, a schoolmaster of the old school who spared not the rod. The school over which he ruled was held in an old brick one-room building, board benches for seats, and the equipment meagre. Later he attended a school in Bethlehem, taught by O. R. Wilt, who later became superintendent of public instruction for Northampton county. Later in life he met Mr. Wilt (now deceased) and making himself known to the old schoolmaster, he recalled old times and whippings the older man had administered. He asked Mr. Wilt how he would like to take him on, and was met

by the reply, "Nothing doing." Schooldays ended for the lad at the age of fifteen and business life began. His first position was as newsboy on the Lehigh Valley trains between Phillipsburg, New Jersey, and Waverly, New York. He next was employed in the shops of the Bethlehem Iron Company, coming under the personal management of John Fritz, then superintendent of the plant. In 1877 he left the Bethlehem Iron Company for the shops of the Lehigh Valley railroad in Easton, then under the then master mechanic, John I. Kinsey. He remained in the Lehigh shops until 1890, then assumed the management of the machine shop and foundry of Young & Slough, on Ferry street, Easton. From 1893 until 1896 he was in the testing laboratory of Lafayette College under Prof. J. M. Porter. In 1896 he organized the Easton Foundry & Machine Company, of which he was general superintendent until 1901, when he established his present business under the trade name, Easton Brass & Machine Company, of which he is sole owner and general manager. He was formerly treasurer of the Easton Merchants' Ice Company; is a director in the Northampton Building & Loan Association; director of the Doyle & DaCosta Wire Company, of Easton; director of the Third Street Theatre Company and Northampton Amusement Company, which operates the Star Theatre; director of the City Ice Company; treasurer of the Pure Distilled Water Ice Company; and director of Quako Bottling Company, of Easton.

In politics, Mr. Sherry is a Republican, and in 1905 was elected a member of Common Council from the Second Ward by an unusually large majority. He was baptized in 1865 by Bishop Potter, of New Jersey, in the faith of the Protestant Episcopal church, and is an attendant of Trinity Episcopal Church in Easton. He is a member and past master of Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Philadelphia Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Columbia Lodge No. 139, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Easton Eyrie No. 111, Fraternal Order of Eagles; Easton Council No. 984, Fraternal Patriarchs of America; Easton Board of Trade; Victor Drum Corps; and Pomfret Club.

Mr. Sherry married (first), in Easton, June 2, 1882, Harriet Beidler, Rev. J. F. Shepperd, pastor of the Presbyterian church, officiating. Mrs. Sherry died August 28, 1889. Mr. Sherry married (second), September 18, 1901, Emma Engler, daughter of John and Nellie Engler. They are the parents of a son, Rufus G., born in Easton, July 18, 1902. He was a student at Pennsylvania Military College, Chester, Pennsylvania, Phillips Exeter Academy, now at New York Military College, Cornwall-on-Hudson. Mrs. Sherry is a member of the Episcopal church, is deeply interested in Red Cross work and other movements, charitable and philanthropic.

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**HENRY IRVIN STAHR**—Henry Irvin Stahr, pastor of the Christ Reformed Church at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, comes of a family long associated in clerical charge with the church. At least three generations of the Stahr family have given members to the ministry. Mr. Stahr's father has been in the ministry for more than forty years, and a brother of his grandfather was pastor of a Pennsylvania church for almost three decades.

Henry Irvin Stahr was born November 6, 1880, at Lockhaven, Clinton county, Pennsylvania, and is the son of Isaac S. and Hannah Camilla (Applebach) Stahr. At least three generations of the Stahr family have resided in Pennsylvania; John Star, grandfather of Henry I. Stahr, was a public school teacher in early life, and later a farmer, and a brother of his, Samuel Stahr, was for twenty-seven years pastor of the Durham Reformed Church, Durham, Pennsylvania.

Isaac S. Stahr, father of Henry I. Stahr, was born on May 23, 1845, and was a teacher in the public schools of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, for eleven

years before he entered the Eastern Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He graduated in the class of 1877, and immediately secured appointment to the Lockhaven Reformed Charge, leaving there in 1884 to become pastor of the Oley Reformed Charge, and there he has remained ever since. That he is an able minister may be inferred by the fact that for thirty-five years he has been held in one charge. His church at Oley is a prosperous one and in the richest farm section of Bucks county. He is still very active, and much beloved in the community. He married Hannah Camilla, daughter of Henry and Sarah Jane (Ely) Applebach, of Applebachsville, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. Her father was born November 28, 1818, and married August 29, 1848. He was an enterprising man, and with his brother Paul did much to develop the village of Applebachsville. The brothers dealt extensively in horses and cattle, and of course also farmed, purchasing in 1847 a tract of 377 acres, upon which had been built, in 1837, one of the first country seats in the upper end of Bucks county. In 1848 the brothers commenced the erection of other buildings; they established a hostelry, and eventually a village grew up, chiefly owing to their enterprise and energy. When a post-office was established there, the village was given the name of Applebachsville, in honor of its founders, and Henry Applebach became the first postmaster. His daughter, Hannah Camilla Applebach, mother of the Rev. Henry I. Stahr, was reared in the village. Eventually she graduated at the Moravian schools of Nazareth and Bethlehem, and later attended the College for Women, at Allentown, from which institution of the Reformed church she in due course graduated. She died July 2, 1915, and the following excerpt from an article regarding her published in one of the newspapers of the locality following her death, indicates the esteem in which she was held in the town in which she passed so many years of her life, as the wife of the Rev. Isaac S. Stahr. The article, in part, read: "If ever a woman testified by the whole of her life and devotion to the worth and strong influence for service and blessing to Christian culture in family, church and school, the life of Mrs. Rev. Isaac S. Stahr, of Oley, Pennsylvania, was a beautiful testimony." She had been the wife of the Rev. Isaac S. Stahr for thirty-eight years, they having been married on June 16, 1879, and for more than thirty years they had lived in Oley, where all of their children were reared. Of their five children, four survive, namely: Sarah Jane, who married Charles L. Glase, of Oley, Pennsylvania; Mary Cornelia, who is unmarried, and is at present a teacher at the Reading High School, and is a graduate of Dickinson College; Camilla Belle, who is a graduate of Wilson College, and lives at home with her father, and Henry Irvin, the subject of this article. The other son, John Nevin, died in infancy. One other distinguished member of the Stahr family is the subject's uncle, Dr. John S. Stahr, brother of Isaac S. He was the president of the Franklin and Marshall College from 1890 until 1912. He was a graduate of that institution, and throughout his academic life was a member of the college faculty, eventually becoming its president.

Henry Irvin Stahr, son of the Rev. Isaac S. Stahr, received some of his academic education in the town of Oley, Pennsylvania. He attended the public schools of that place, and also took a preparatory course at Oley Academy, an old established institution now defunct. In the fall of 1897 he entered the Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, graduating therefrom in 1901 with the degree A.B., when he had the distinction of being one of the honor men of his class. After leaving college, he became a principal in the Pine Grove Mills Public School, Pine Grove Mills, Pennsylvania, where he remained for one year, then becoming a teacher in the Franklin and Marshall Academy Preparatory School. Two years later he entered the Eastern Theological Seminary, teaching also during the course. In 1908 he graduated therefrom, also with honors. In the following spring he proceeded to Cornell University for post-graduate work, and in the fall of 1910 was elected pastor of the Faith Reformed Church, Reading, Pennsylvania, being







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ordained and installed in December, 1910. There he remained until he was called to his present church, in September, 1917. He is a man of fine presence and intellect, a powerful, convincing exponent of the Scriptures, and an active, able organizer. He is well regarded in Bethlehem, and the church is steadily growing. He is interested and active in the general work of the church. He has taken active part and interest in civic and community work, the work incidental to War Loan and War Chest campaigns, is a member of Phi Sigma Kappa, and Lodge No. 43, Free and Accepted Masons, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

On February 2, 1914, at Boston, Massachusetts, Mr. Stahr married Alice Webb Stockwell, daughter of Stephen N. and Martha (Webb) Stockwell, of that city. Mrs. Stahr comes of an old New England family of Puritan ancestry; her father was a writer and newspaper editor of some note in New England. For many years he was editor of the *Boston Journal*. He was born in Hardwick, Massachusetts, and died when his daughter, Alice W., was only a few months old. His wife, Martha (Webb) Stockwell, was a native of Waldoboro, Maine, and died in 1915. There were two children of the marriage: Marie Louise, who is secretary to the president of Wellesley College, and Alice W., now Mrs. Stahr. Mrs. Stahr is a graduate of Wellesley College, and before her marriage was for a time a teacher in the private school of Miss Stahr, in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, which school was later amalgamated with Lancaster College, the new school becoming the Shippen School for Girls, of which she became principal. To the Rev. and Mrs. Henry I. Stahr one child, a daughter, Sarah Louise, was born, whose birth date was April 21, 1917. Their home is at No. 359 East Broad street, Bethlehem.

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**FRANK J. FENICLE**—John Fenicle, of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, married Mary Shireman, and settled on a farm near Nazareth, where their lives were passed and their thirteen children born. One of their sons, Ervin L. Fenicle, born in 1856, died in Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1909. Ervin L. grew to manhood at the home farm, was educated in the public school, and passed his years, fifty-three, in Northampton county. He married Susan Heckman, born in Moorestown, Northampton county, daughter of Jacob Heckman, a farmer, and one of a family of twenty-two children. Susan Heckman had three sisters, Catherine, Annie, and one who died young. Ervin L. and Susan (Heckman) Fenicle were the parents of an only child, Frank J. Fenicle, of Easton, Pennsylvania, proprietor of a dental laboratory at No. 427 Northampton street.

Frank J. Fenicle was born at the home of his parents, Seventh and Northampton streets, Easton, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1884. He attended the city public schools until fifteen years of age, then was employed in different occupations until going, when still a boy, with Dr. King, a dentist, with whom he remained three years. From Dr. King he went into the dental laboratory of R. C. Reimer, remaining with him eight years, and becoming a laboratory expert in dental work. He then opened a similar establishment under his own name, which he is successfully conducting at No. 429 Northampton street, Easton. Mr. Fenicle is affiliated with Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Caldwell Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In political action he is independent. Thomas Fenicle, an uncle of Frank J. Fenicle, was the first Republican ever elected to the office of sheriff in Northampton county.

Mr. Fenicle married, in Easton, January 16, 1909, Leah Riker, of Easton, daughter of Frank P. and Elizabeth (Jones) Riker. Mr. and Mrs. Fenicle are the parents of a son, Dale R. Mrs. Fenicle is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

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**ELMER JESSE DECH, M.D.**—Several generations of Dr. Dech's ancestors have lived in Northampton county, all agriculturists, men of sub-



stance and worth. With the present generation two of the sons of James Dech, of Bath, a retired farmer, embraced the study of medicine, this review dealing with the career of Dr. Elmer J. Dech, one of Easton's leading physicians, who established in the city in the year 1900.

(I) The ancestor of the Dech family in Pennsylvania is John Dech, born in Germany, in 1720, who came to Pennsylvania in 1734. He worked out his passage money after his arrival, as did many others, but he later became prosperous, and for years resided at Sumneytown, Bucks county. Later he was attracted by reports from the newly created county of Northampton, came to this county, and settled near Bethlehem.

(II) Jacob Dech, son of John Dech, the founder, was born in 1746, and died in 1833. He lived in Forks township. He married Christina Best, sister of Conrad Best, and daughter of Jacob Best, of Williams township. He owned various tracts of farm land in Allen township, and was fairly well-to-do. In 1772 he bought and settled on the farm now owned by a descendant, George H. Dech, of Bath. During the Revolution he enlisted and performed military duty. Jacob and Christina (Best) Dech were the parents of five children: 1. John, who later purchased the homestead; married Elizabeth Oberly. 2. Anna, married David Kemmerer. 3. Jacob (2), of further mention. 4. Elizabeth, married Christian Laubach. 5. Andrew, born in 1793, died in 1854; married Katherine Heller, born in 1790, died in 1866, a daughter of Joseph Heller, and great-granddaughter of Christopher Heller, who came to Pennsylvania in 1738, and the founder of Hellertown. Andrew Dech was the owner of a large farm near Schoenersville in Allen township.

(III) Jacob (2) Dech, son of Jacob (1) Dech, was a farmer of East Allen township, Northampton county, and there lived and died, his burial place Hecktown. He married Mary Magdalen Oberly, and they were the parents of the following children: 1. Jesse Reuben, of further mention. 2. Aaron, who died September 19, 1898, in his eightieth year, was a merchant of Farmersville; he made frequent trips to Philadelphia with a four-horse team, taking heavy loads of produce to the city and bringing back merchandise for his store; from all around the people came to bring him money to deposit in Philadelphia banks, and frequently he carried large sums. 3. William, of Hanover. 4. Joseph, of East Allen township. 5. Stephen, of Bethlehem township. 6. Charles, of Lower Nazareth. 7. Thomas, who lived at Rising Sun.

(IV) Jesse Reuben Dech, eldest son of Jacob (2) and Mary Magdalen (Oberly) Dech, was born in East Allen township, Northampton county. He settled in Bath, Pennsylvania. He married a Miss Ritter, and reared a family including a son, James, of further mention.

(V) James Dech, son of Jesse Reuben Dech, was born in East Allen township, and spent the active years of his life engaged in farming in Northampton county, owning his own farm of one hundred acres, situated near Bath. He was a soldier of the Union during the Civil War, a member of the Reformed church, and is a man most highly esteemed. He married Anna L. Unganst. Children: Samaritan; Oscar J.; Harvey J., deceased; Sevilla, married Andrew Person; Elmer Jesse, of further mention; Mary L., married Jacob Danner; Schuyler H., a physician; and Palmer, deceased.

(VI) Dr. Elmer Jesse Dech, son of James and Anna L. (Unganst) Dech, was born in Bath, Pennsylvania, April 24, 1871. He began his education in the public schools, passed to Lehigh Preparatory School, Bethlehem, studied pharmacy for one year, and in 1890 began the study of medicine under the preceptorship of Dr. Moore, of Philadelphia. Later he studied under Dr. Johnstonbaugh, of Bethlehem. He next entered the Eclectic Medical Institute of Cincinnati, Ohio, whence he was graduated M.D., class of 1894. He at once began practice, locating in Pandora, Ohio, there remaining for six years and establishing a good practice. In 1896 he was elected coroner of Putnam county, re-elected in 1899, serving until 1900, when he resigned, dis-

posed of his practice and returned to Pennsylvania. Before resuming medical practice, Dr. Dech pursued a course on post-graduate study and work at the New York Polyclinic Hospital, then located in Easton, where he has become well established as a physician of skill and honor. In 1915 he bought the residence property at Fourteenth and Northampton streets, one of Easton's most beautiful homes, and erected thereon a fireproof addition in which he has his offices, perfectly equipped with every medical or surgical aid to modern treatment of disease or injury. His abundant success is the logical outcome of thorough preparation, zeal and devotion to his chosen work, and a sincere desire to be of service to his fellow men. He has a most pleasing personality, coupled with a calm, serene nature which in itself soothes and brings hope to the suffering. He is a member of and president of the Eclectic Medical Society of Pennsylvania, and is highly esteemed as a physician. Other professional societies are: The Northampton County Medical Association, Pennsylvania State Society, American Medical Society, National Eclectic Medical Society. Through the medium of these societies and their publications he keeps in close touch with the medical world, and all advance in treatment or operation.

Dr. Dech has purchased the old Dech homestead in East Allen township, and there he indulges to the utmost his love of the out-of-doors, and reverts to the calling of his forebears. He has always been an admirer of the trotter, and in the past has owned some of the best, although only for his own pleasure and personal driving. With the advent of the automobile he adopted the new steed, and is an ardent devotee of the motoring game. A day with rod and reel also appeals to him, and whenever possible he has a day in the woods. He is a member of Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; ——— Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, of Reading, Pennsylvania; Tall Cedars of Lebanon; Easton Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Amanda Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of which he is past chancellor; Easton Board of Trade; and the First Reformed Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

Dr. Dech married, September 28, 1894, Lizzie H. Miller, daughter of Edwin and Caroline (Smith) Miller, of Bath. Mrs. Dech is active in Red Cross, church and charitable work.

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**CHRISTIAN FLEMMING SANDT**—The Sandts came to Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in the long ago, the original settler in the county being Adam Sandt, who took up a tract of three hundred and nineteen acres now known as "Sandt's Eddy," for which he paid one hundred and sixty-five pounds sterling. It is believed that Adam Sandt was a native of Germany, as was John Sandt, who came in 1766, landing at Philadelphia on September 23, of that year. When the eldest of the sons of Adam Sandt (also Adam, born December 17, 1767, died September 28, 1835) was twenty-three years of age, the father purchased a tract of two hundred and twenty-three acres lying along Mud Run creek and adjoining his original three hundred and nineteen acres. At the time of the death of Adam Sandt, Sr., April 7, 1793, he was possessed of both tracts, which eight years later were divided into "three parcels equal in quality and value," Adam, Jr., Michael and John each receiving a portion. These three sons of Adam Sandt, the settler, are the ancestors of the Sandts of Northampton, John being the ancestor of Christian Flemming Sandt, the well known and prominent leather merchant of Easton.

(II) John Sandt, son of Adam Sandt, Sr., born July 22, 1771, died May 4, 1833. He received from his father that part of his holding lying along Mud Run creek and extending to the Delaware river. To this he made large additions, his wife, Magdalena (Correll) Sandt, persuading him to purchase her father's farm when the latter died. At his death he owned six hundred and eighty-two acres, lying along both sides of Mud Run creek in the northern

section of Forks township and in the southern part of Mount Bethel and Plainfield townships. He was the father of eleven stalwart sons, all born in the old "yellow house," now torn down, which stood on the present site of the hotel at Sandt's Eddy. Another landmark he left was the stone bridge across Mud Run creek, and he is credited with paving the way for the construction of the roadway along the Delaware river. When John Sandt died he had seventeen children, eighty-six grandchildren and two hundred great-grandchildren. Besides his farming operations, he ran a saw-mill and conducted a hotel. John Sandt married Maria Magdalena Correll, born October 10, 1773, died January 10, 1848. His eleven sons were most of them exceptionally successful farmers, and their children have become eminent in law, the ministry and business. Samuel, the youngest son, became a physician, as did several others of the family in the next generation, while four became ministers of the Lutheran church. The Sandts of the first generation were generally Lutherans, the first Adam and his wife and sons communing in St. John's Lutheran Church, Easton, the congregation then worshipping in the Third Street Reformed Church. Adam Sandt and his wife were buried in the cemetery now the site of the Fourth Street school building, but they were later removed to Forks Church Cemetery, where most of the Sandts were buried, though quite a number rest in Easton Cemetery.

(III) Dr. Samuel Sandt, youngest of the eleven sons of John and Maria Magdalena (Correll) Sandt, was born at Sandt's Hotel at Sandt's Eddy, five miles north of Easton, Pennsylvania, November 15, 1815, and died in Easton, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1902. He began his education in the Vanderveer School, and in youthful manhood made Easton his home, becoming clerk in the store owned by Michael Butz. In 1839 he entered Lafayette College, whence he was graduated A.B., then began the study of medicine under Dr. H. H. Abernathy, of Easton. Later he became a student in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated M.D., class of 1844. He at once located in Plainfield township, there practicing until 1848, when he moved to Easton, there continuing in successful practice until his death. In 1855 he added a drug store to his business, conducting it until 1862, when he closed it up and went into the Union army. He received a surgeon's commission and was assigned to the Eighty-fifth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, performing three years of arduous field service with that organization and with the Sixty-second Regiment, Ohio Volunteers. He rendered valued service under dangerous conditions, and gave loyal support to his country's cause. After the war closed, he resumed practice in Easton, and continued active in professional work until shortly before his death, when a stroke of paralysis confined him to his home. Dr. Sandt was a skillful physician, a man of strong character, and ever held the highest esteem of his fellow men. He was a member of the Easton School Board and president of the board during a large part of his long term of public service. He was president of Northampton Medical Society, and was held in high regard by his brethren of the profession. He practiced his profession for fifty years in Northampton county, and when he "passed over," deep and genuine regret was everywhere expressed.

Dr. Sandt married, December 23, 1845, Susan, daughter of Christian Flemming, of Easton. They were the parents of seven children: Christian Flemming, of further mention; Mary, died in 1918; Charles Albert, deceased; Elizabeth, died April 1, 1903; Nettie; George F.; and Clara, deceased. Mrs. Sandt died July 16, 1894.

(IV) Christian Flemming Sandt, eldest son of Dr. Samuel and Susan (Flemming) Sandt, was born in the village of Belfast, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, January 15, 1847. He was educated in the public schools of Easton, his parents moving to that city in 1848. He finished his school years in 1864, then for four years was employed by his grandfather, Christian Flemming, in his butchering operations, but at Mr. Flemming's death in 1869,



the young man entered the employ of Jacob Fraley, a dealer in shoe findings, beginning as a clerk. He continued in Mr. Fraley's employ for twenty years, rising to a confidential position in the business in which he ranked as an expert. In 1889, Mr. Sandt purchased the business, Mr. Fraley retiring, and until 1913 continued at the old location, No. 351 Northampton street, then removing to the present location, No. 461 Northampton street. Mr. Sandt is well known in the leather trade, his half century of connection with the one business in Easton having brought him into unusual prominence. He carries a full line of trunks, belting, etc. For many years he has been an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church, particularly interested in the Sunday school which he serves as a teacher and of which he has been treasurer for forty-eight years. In politics he is a Republican.

Mr. Sandt married (first) in Easton, in 1876, Elizabeth Hammond, of Easton, daughter of William Hammond. Mrs. Sandt died in 1879. In 1886, Mr. Sandt married (second) Anna Micke, daughter of Reuben P. Micke. Mrs. Sandt died in 1911.

**LOUIS C. RICE**—As president of the Easton Printing Company, of Easton, Pennsylvania, Mr. Rice is in executive control of a corporation which he founded and has developed to a point which entitles it to rank with the great strictly commercial printing houses of the United States. Their plant located at the corner of Third and Washington streets, well equipped with the latest and best printing machinery, is known from coast to coast, and from literally all over the United States its business is drawn. The company was organized in 1914 by Louis C. Rice, Arthur J. Buss and Daniel Schroeder as a strictly general commercial printing house. Soon they were reaching out into a wider field, until the whole country has become their field. The Bethlehem Steel Corporation is one of their largest customers, while Benney & Smith, of New York City, make large and incessant demands for labels. The list of houses, north, south, east and west, which draw upon the Easton Printing Company, is surprising, the two enumerated being only samples of the quality of the patronage the plant attracts. At this writing (October 1, 1918) the company is largely employed on government work, they being one of the many patriotic concerns whose resources were placed at the disposal of the national government for war purpose.

Louis C. Rice, president and general manager of the Easton Printing Company, was born in Phoenixville, Chester county, Pennsylvania, November 21, 1880, son of H. S. and Amelia (Breinig) Rice. He was educated in the public schools, and while yet a boy, learned the printer's trade in Allentown, Pennsylvania. For a time he was employed on the Allentown *Critic*, but later connected himself with a job printing establishment, and from that time has given himself to commercial printing only. Until 1914 he was in the employ of others, being manager of the National Printing Company of Easton, until resigning to become head of the Easton Printing Company. He is thorough master of his business, knowing its every detail from the bottom up, a knowledge gained by personal contact as devil, journeyman printer, shop foreman, manager and proprietor. To technical skill he adds good business quality, and in his hands the future of the Easton Printing Company is secure. A man of genial nature and social qualities, Mr. Rice finds pleasure in the special features offered by the Masonic order, and is affiliated with Chapman Lodge No. 637, Free and Accepted Masons, of Northampton, Pennsylvania, and with Easton Forest No. 35, Tall Cedars of Lebanon. His club is the Jacksonian, and his religious faith is Lutheran.

Mr. Rice married (first) Bessie S. Buss, daughter of Mrs. Edmund J. Buss, of Easton. Mrs. Rice died April 11, 1917, leaving a son, Louis C. (2). Mr. Rice married (second), September 10, 1918, Jennie S., daughter of Edwin T. Michler, of Easton.

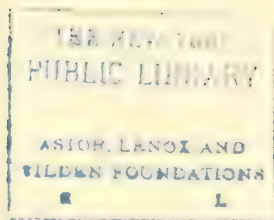
**J. ELWOOD BIXLER**—More than a century and a quarter ago, Christian (2) Bixler established a jewelry business in the city of Easton, which he conducted successfully all of his after life, then was succeeded by his son, William Bixler, who in turn was succeeded by his son, J. Elwood Bixler, the present owner and head of the business, established in Easton by his grandfather in 1786. Christian (2) Bixler was a son of Christian Bixler, an extensive landowner of Berks county, Pennsylvania, living in Robeson township, where he was rated a man of considerable importance. Through the marriage of Christian (2) Bixler to Catherine Opp, one of the four daughters of John Jacob Opp, descent is traced by J. Elwood Bixler from one of the old families of Easton and Northampton county, carrying back to pre-Revolutionary days. John Jacob Opp, father of Catherine Opp, was born in Chur-Paltz, Germany, in the year 1740, came to the colony of Pennsylvania, and died in 1805. He was appointed a commissioner of Northampton county June 22, 1776, to receive bounty money to be paid to the three hundred and twenty-seven men who completed Northampton's first quota to the forces of the Flying Camp, as shown by the muster roll of Revolutionary militia. In addition to the sum of \$981, he was also to exchange all saltpetre made in the county, this to be handed over to Capt. George Huber, to be used in the manufacture of gunpowder. John Jacob Opp became a large landowner in Easton, and by his wife, Anna Maria Hoffman, had four daughters, one of whom became the wife of Christian (2) Bixler, the founder of the jewelry business which has been in the Bixler family one hundred and thirty-three years, 1786-1919, under but three proprietors, the founder, his son and his grandson.

Christian (2) Bixler was born in Robeson township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1763, and there learned the silversmith and jewelry trades, which included a knowledge of clock-making. In 1785 he located in Easton, Pennsylvania, where he established a jewelry store, and during his after life was its managing head. He was a builder of that type of timepiece known as "Grandfather's Clock," and of fine silverware for the table. There are many of these old clocks to be found among the old families of Northampton bearing the name Christian Bixler, their value as reliable timekeepers not at all diminished by the fact that perhaps more than a century ago they were in the Bixler shop.

In addition to this jewelry business, Christian Bixler erected and operated one of the first mills to be put in operation on the Delaware river in Easton, and owned considerable real estate. He and his wife loaned the village of Easton £700 sterling without interest in order that the hill might be retained, upon which the first stone schoolhouse in the village was built, Easton High School building now occupying the site. This loan was made necessary from the fact that the heirs of Mr. Penn claimed ownership of the hill, and by Christian Bixler's generous loan that beautiful site was preserved to the city for public purposes and is so used until this day. In 1789, Christian (2) Bixler married Catherine Opp, and among their children was a son, William Bixler, of whom further.

William Bixler was born in Easton, May 21, 1793, and there died, February 8, 1848. Upon arriving at suitable age, he was taught the jeweler's trade by his father, and in time succeeded to its ownership, continuing until his retirement in favor of his son. He married Sophia Tolan, who resided among the Quakers of Jenkintown, near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, daughter of Hugh and Hannah (McDonald) Tolan.

J. Elwood Bixler, son of William and Sophia (Tolan) Bixler, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, February 26, 1848, his birthplace No. 317 Northampton street, then a double stone house. The original jewelry store site is now occupied by the Bush & Bull store. He was educated in the Easton public schools, and early in life was taught by his father the same trade and business he had inherited. He became an expert jeweler and in time succeeded to the ownership of the business, continuing its active head until his







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death at his home in Easton, June 12, 1891. Mr. Bixler was one of Easton's valued citizens, one who took active part and interest in all that pertained to the upbuilding and improvement of his city. He was one of the earliest and generous contributors to the Children's Home, and in his will he gave the society the valuable property fronting on Ferry street through to Walnut street, five building lots in all. The original idea of the donor was that the property be used for kindergarten purposes, but it was used as a donation to the Children's Home for the benefit of destitute and homeless children. The land donated had been in the family three generations, having been deeded by the Penn heirs to Christian (2) Bixler. He was a liberal contributor to the support of the First Presbyterian Church of Easton, the family being attendants of that church.

J. Elwood Bixler married, in Towanda, Pennsylvania, May 4, 1876, Emma Eilenberger, who survives him, daughter of Peter F. and Marietta (Smith) Eilenberger, he a son of Andrew Eilenberger, of Monroe county, Pennsylvania. Marietta (Smith) Eilenberger was a daughter of Isaac Smith, a retired tobaccoist of Williamsburg, Pennsylvania, and his wife, Elizabeth Rymond. Isaac Smith was a grandson of Melchoir Smith, a Moravian missionary to the Indian Colony, and his wife, Catherine Margaret, who came to this country with the first colony of Moravians on the ship *Simmins*, chartered by Count Zinzendorf about the year 1770, which settled in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. They had one son and one daughter. The son, John, married Mary M. Kreider, of Lititz, Pennsylvania, and from their union there were two sons, born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, one of whom was Isaac, who married Elizabeth Rymond, grandparents of Emma E. Bixler. Peter F. Eilenberger was born in Monroe county, Pennsylvania, May 30, 1815, died in 1874. His wife died in Easton in 1889. He was a prominent Eastonian, county treasurer in 1853, and between 1860 and 1866 represented Easton in the State Legislature. He was a warm friend of the Union cause and of the Union soldier, his efforts in their behalf being so greatly valued that as an appreciation the men of 147th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, presented him with a valuable cane. He was an official of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and after every battle won by the Union army he caused a small Union flag to be displayed on every telegraph pole the company owned in Northampton county.

Mr. and Mrs. Bixler's two children both reside in Easton: 1. William Opp Bixler, educated in Easton public schools and the University of Pennsylvania; he married on June 12, 1901, Grace Ingersoll Simon, and they are the parents of four children: Hermina Simon, Grace Roberta, Elizabeth Telfair and William Townley. 2. Edith, married Henry B. Laubach, April 30, 1907, and they have two children: Elwood Bixler and Marion Edith.

Mr. Bixler, in his youthful manhood, was a member of the Easton Greys, holding the rank of sergeant. During the Molly Maguire troubles in Pennsylvania, he was on duty with the Greys, and when laid at final rest his comrades honored him with a military funeral. He was devoted to his home and family, a lover of music and art, a man genuinely respected by all who knew him in life, and deeply mourned at his death.

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**DAVID STODDARD**—When in 1886 David Stoddard located in Bangor, Pennsylvania, to engage in the slate business, he had already won high reputation as a machinist, an inventor and telephone expert of the city of Newark, New Jersey. In Bangor and other towns of the slate belt he has operated largely in the more than thirty years which have since passed, and as the present head and principal owner of the Albion Vein Slate Company, and other corporations, holds a position of eminence in his adopted town. He is a son of John Stoddard, who came from England about 1850, married Sarah Steckle, daughter of Mahlon and Dorothy Steckle, of Parsippany, New Jersey, located in Newark, New Jersey, and there David Stoddard, their son, was born.

David Stoddard was born in Newark, New Jersey, February 27, 1858, and there attended the public schools until twelve years of age. He then began helping his uncle, who was the owner of a retail milk business. Later he established a milk route of his own, and for three years he operated quite profitably for a boy. He then began learning the machinist's trade with the Huntington Machine Company, continuing at their plant for five years, becoming an expert worker in metal. His next employment was with the Domestic Sewing Machine Company of Newark, New Jersey, his service with them being as a machinist, but he also installed a system of water works for their plant. He next turned his attention to electricity, and among the results of his connection with the electrical business was the invention of a trap or device to prevent the burglarizing of safes, the device giving notice that the safe was being tampered with. This trap came into extensive use, particularly in the jewelry manufacturing district. He also gave a great deal of attention to the telephone, and was rated an expert in that business in its mechanical features, and was identified with the installing of the first telephone system in Newark. In June, 1886, Mr. Stoddard left Newark, and henceforth his business record is part of the history of the slate belt of Pennsylvania.

On coming to Pennsylvania, Mr. Stoddard located in Bangor, Northampton county, and in 1888 he erected the first modern slate mill in that county. His introduction to the business community was as manager of the North Bangor Slate Company, a position he filled during the three years, 1886-89. The latter year saw the beginning of his partnership with John Bennett, a firm which, during its life of six years, 1889-95, leased and operated the New York slate quarries at North Bangor, Pennsylvania, very successfully. In 1895, Mr. Stoddard with G. W. Mackey organized the Bangor Star Slate Company, and for eighteen months maintained his interest in that company, then selling out to Mr. Mackey. His next venture was at Danielsville, where he leased the slate producing property known as the Big Quarry, and the slate mill known as the Hower Quarry Mill, conducting both enterprises, quarries and mills, for about five years, when from lessee he became controlling owner, so continuing for two years. He next invested in Pen Argyl slate properties by leasing the West Albion Mill, he then admitting his sons to a partnership, and operating as David Stoddard & Sons. The firm conducted both his Danielsville and Pen Argyl quarries and mills until 1914, when they withdrew from Danielsville, and then concentrated their attention upon the West Albion quarries. In 1907, Mr. Stoddard organized the Albion Vein Slate Company, the firm D. Stoddard & Sons being the principal owners of the stock of that corporation. Of that and other companies, David Stoddard is the executive head, his interests being very large. He has taken active interest in other than slate productions, being one of the founders and a director of the Bangor Building & Loan Association; director of the Merchants' National Bank of Bangor for the past fourteen years; and when the great fire swept away the plant of the Samuel Flory Manufacturing Company, he was one of a committee of six, appointed by the citizens of Bangor, who secured \$150,000 to finance the re-establishment of the plant. The great war worked havoc with the slate industry as a whole, and in 1917 the Venders Slate Company was formed for the purpose of finding better methods of marketing the output of the quarries of Northampton county. Of that company, David Stoddard was elected president, a position he now holds, and through his efforts he personally carried this business to Europe, establishing agencies in England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, France, Belgium, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, which has been of great value to their industry. He is a member of the Masonic order, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is neutral.

Mr. Stoddard married (first) Harriet Maria Morse, daughter of John Morse, of Newark, New Jersey. Mrs. Stoddard died in 1887, leaving six



children: George; Mabel, deceased; Frank; Clara, wife of Thomas Brinton, of Bangor; Harry; and Nellie, wife of Dr. Piffley, a practicing dentist of Bangor, Pennsylvania. Mr. Stoddard married (second) Elizabeth Ann Bennett, daughter of John Bennett, of Bangor. They are the parents of five children: Fred, Arthur, Elsie, died in 1909; Beatrice M., and David (2) Stoddard. The family home is in Bangor, Pennsylvania. Mr. Stoddard has traveled extensively.

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**ALLEN JOSEPH CLIFTON**—A veteran in every sense, Mr. Clifton reviews a life of wonderful activity which includes three years of active military service with one of the hard-fighting Pennsylvania regiments of the Union army, thirty-seven years of continuous service with the Central Railroad of New Jersey, and present service as jury commissioner of Northampton county. He is a grandson of John Clifton, who came from Morristown, New Jersey, and died in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, in 1850. John Clifton married Gertrude Weygandt, who died in Easton in 1872. He established a boot and shoe business in Easton, which he conducted until his retirement. Mr. and Mrs. Clifton were the parents of six children, including a son Alexander J., father of Allen Joseph Clifton, of Easton, Civil War veteran and long-time valued citizen.

Alexander J. Clifton died in Easton, Pennsylvania, March 8, 1868, after a life largely spent in the boot and shoe business. He married Sarah A. Nagle, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, who died in Easton, January 1, 1906. They were the parents of nine children, including a son Allen Joseph.

Allen Joseph Clifton was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, October 21, 1843, but in 1851 the family moved to Easton, which city is still his home. His education was begun in Allentown public schools, his first teacher a Mr. Slemmer. He continued his studies in Easton public schools, and also attended Wood Brothers' private school held in a room on the third floor of the building on Northampton street occupied by Grant's Clothing Store. Other private school teachers under whom he studied and yet recalls were: Robert Lehman, Newton Kirkpatrick, Patrick and Robert Potter, the latter afterward becoming congressman from a western State. Around most of these and other teachers, under whose instructions he sat, pleasant memories linger, but occasionally he fell under the wrath of a severe master and full toll was exacted for all delinquencies. He continued through junior year in high school, employing his out-of-school hours in selling papers on the street and working around the newspaper offices. He was in turn printer's devil and reporter, working on the *Easton Express* under William Davis as proprietor. His father's shoe store was on Northampton street, the site now covered by the Laubach Department Store, and there Allen J. was employed as clerk for some time. Such were his occupations until September 10, 1861, when he enlisted as a private in Company B, Fifty-first Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Capt. F. W. Bell commanding Company B, Col. John F. Hartranft. He enlisted for a term of three years, which he fulfilled, receiving honorable discharge, October 9, 1864. His first service was with the Burnside Expedition, his first battles being Roanoke Island, Newbern and South Mills. The Fifty-first Pennsylvania was then ordered to the Army of the Potomac under Gen. George B. McClellan, then fighting in the Peninsular campaign, but before reaching his destination was transferred to Fredericksburg and sent up the Rappahannock to reinforce General Banks, but arrived too late to take part in the battle of Cedar Mountain. They retreated to Kelly's Ford on the Rappahannock river, and there engaged the Confederates. From that time until the second battle of Bull Run he was engaged in many skirmishes, but in that battle the Fifty-first took active part. Mr. Clifton was also engaged at Chantilly, fought in part during a severe thunderstorm made memorable as costing the Union cause the lives of the gallant Gen. Philip Kearney and the brave General Stevens, Mr. Clifton witnessing the fall of

General Stevens from his horse when struck by the fatal bullet. He next spent some time in Harewood Hospital, Washington, then rejoined his regiment in camp at Pleasant Valley, Maryland, leaving the hospital by stealth, the doctors not deeming him sufficiently recovered from his illness to return to his regiment. At Upperville, Virginia, he was detailed on provost guard to protect Christian Commission workers, then led by Clara Barton, known to the whole civilized world as the founder of the Red Cross Society, his especial charge being Miss Barton's private wagon. At Fredericksburg he was wounded in the right forearm by a rifle-ball, being struck about the same time that his captain sustained mortal injury. Private Clifton went to the army hospital in Fredericksburg, where the surgeons wished to amputate, but he refused. He then crossed the river to the Lacey House, where Miss Barton herself bandaged his arm and finally got him to Trinity Church Hospital in Georgetown, District of Columbia. After recovering, he rejoined his regiment at Winchester, Kentucky, they being in pursuit of Morgan, the raider; thence to Vicksburg, Mississippi, where he took part in the historic siege of that city under General Grant, thence to Jackson, Mississippi, in pursuit of General Johnson, under General Sherman, later returning to Covington, Kentucky, thence to Camp Park and Crab Orchard. The regiment next crossed the Cumberland Mountains to Knoxville, Tennessee, and to Loudon, Tennessee, meeting Longstreet's forces, which were marching north to rejoin General Lee's army. After the siege of Knoxville, followed the retreating of Confederates up through Greenville, and in the spring of 1864 the Fifty-first was sent to Annapolis, Maryland, for reorganization of the Ninth Corps under General Burnside, there being but few of the original regiment left, eight hundred and twenty of the first, one thousand having dropped out, killed, wounded or missing. They were reviewed in Washington by President Lincoln, and operated with the Army of the Potomac. They were sent to Germania Ford, Virginia, and went into the battle of the Wilderness, then on to Petersburg, which was but one continuous battle. At Spottsylvania Court House, Private Clifton was taken prisoner, but made a daring dash for liberty and escaped. On October 9, 1864, he was mustered out at Waldon Railroad.

Upon returning to civil life, Mr. Clifton located at Oil City, Pennsylvania, and was engaged in the refining of coal oil until 1868, when he returned to his home in Easton. For a year or more he was conductor on the city horse railway cars, but on August 1, 1869, he entered the employ of the Central Railroad of New Jersey as car checker, and for thirty-seven years he continued with that company, filling many intermediate positions up to general yard master. He then was connected with the inspection department of the Ingersoll Rand plant for a time, then was with the Lehigh & Hudson railroad a short period, afterward retiring until appointed jury commissioner for Northampton county in 1917 by Judge Stewart. At a later election he was elected for a full term, which expires in 1921. He is a member of Delaware Lodge No. 52, Free and Accepted Masons, of Phillipsburg, of which he is a past master; Eagle Chapter No. 30, Royal Arch Masons, also of Phillipsburg; Pomp Council No. 20, Royal and Select Masters; and Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar, of Easton. In 1868 and 1869 he was a member of Humane Fire Company No. 1, of Easton; since December 30, 1898, has been a member of Lafayette Post No. 217, Grand Army of the Republic, of Easton, of which he is now quartermaster; and was formerly member of and past commander of John G. Tolmie Post No. 50, of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. He is a lifelong member of the Republican party, and was reared in the faith of the Reformed church.

Mr. Clifton married, in Easton, in 1868, Mary Alice Mettler, daughter of Jacob and Matilda (Osterstock) Mettler. Mrs. Clifton died March 29, 1906. Children: Sarah Mabel, married John Salzmänn, and resided in Jersey City, New Jersey; Annie L.; Nellie B., married Fred Schwenk, and has two sons, Clifton F. and Paul J., the family home being in Easton; Martha Alice, died aged eight years; Paul Douglas, died in infancy.

**GEORGE F. HELLICK** When the Hellick Tea Company of Easton was incorporated in 1908, the founder placed it in the column of profit-sharing corporations, and it has been successfully operated on that basis from that time until the present. The company was founded in 1906 for the purpose of dealing in teas, coffees and grocers' sundries, and that line has been adhered to, the company operating within a fifty-mile radius from Easton as a centre. The business was founded by George F. Hellick, who had his initial training in this highly specialized business with the Grand Union Tea Company in Easton. His management of the Hellick Tea Company reflects nothing but credit upon his business quality and executive ability, the concern having met with abundant success during their ten years of corporate existence.

The Hellick family came to the United States from France, the first Hellick locating in Pennsylvania, near what is now Newburg. Little further is known of him except that he left a son, Jacob Hellick, whose life was largely spent in Northampton county. Jacob Hellick was a farmer and served his country as a major, duly commissioned in the Mexican War. Both he and his wife, Catherine (Smith) Hellick, were members of Hecktown Lutheran Church. They were the parents of eight children: Urbanus, Xerxes, of whom further; Washington, Jacob, Reuben, Stephen, Caroline, married a Mr. King; and Elizabeth, who married a Mr. Walter.

Xerxes Hellick, of the third generation in Pennsylvania, was born at the old homestead in Nazareth township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and passed his years, eighty-one, in his native county, a weaver by trade. In the intervals of trade occupation, he cultivated a small farm which he owned. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and a man well esteemed in his community. He married Sarah Handlong, and they were the parents of five children: Jeremiah; Elizabeth, widow of Monroe Steuber, of Nazareth, Pennsylvania; Evan F., deceased; Andrew A., of further mention; Emma E., wife of Adam Sandt, of Northampton county.

Andrew A. Hellick, son of Xerxes and Sarah (Handlong) Hellick, was born in Nazareth township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1856. He married Ida Jones, both now living in Easton.

George F. Hellick, son of Andrew A. and Ida (Jones) Hellick, was born in Forks township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1880, and there attended the public schools until twelve years of age. He then began to provide for his own support and welfare, seeking employment with the farmers, and for two years working at carriage painting as an apprentice. He came to the city of Easton in 1887, a lad of seventeen years, finding employment with C. K. Williams & Company. His next position was with P. Lehr & Sons, grocers, with whom he spent two years. The following two years were passed in another branch of the grocery business and in another city, J. A. Eberts, a wholesale grocer of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, securing his services for that period. His next change brought him into association with still another branch of business, and until 1906 he was in the employ of the Grand Union Tea Company. That special branch of the grocery business particularly appealed to him, and in 1906, after four years with the Grand Union, he established a similar business, which was incorporated two years later as the Hellick Tea Company, of which Mr. Hellick is the managing head. The company store is located on Ferry street, adjoining the post-office, and there a prosperous business is transacted on a profit-sharing plan, about thirty people now being employed, although the beginning was very modest. The business reflects the genius of its founder, and is one of the substantial business enterprises of commercial Easton.

While a worker from boyhood, Mr. Hellick has not slavishly devoted his life to its sordid side, but has sought expansion for his finer nature in books, social life and fraternal organizations. He is a member of that famed modern organization of business and professional men, the Rotary Club; is a member of the Northampton Historical Society; Easton Board of Trade; and the



Young Men's Christian Association. He is affiliated with the Masonic order in Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council No. 20, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; and Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to that strongly social order, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and to the Easton Motor Association. In religious affiliation he is connected with Christ Lutheran Church.

Mr. Hellick married, March 28, 1905, Mabel A. Siegfried, daughter of Zachariah and Lydia Siegfried. They are the parents of a daughter, Mae Belle, and a son, George F.

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**JAMES JOHN QUINEY, M.D.**—When a boy, James John Quiney, father of Dr. James John Quiney, of Easton, Pennsylvania, came from his native Leamington, England, finding a home at Beverly, New Jersey. There he was educated and spent the earlier years of his life, finally moving to Camden, New Jersey, where he became a successful wholesale grocer. James J. Quiney was a son of Solomon and Charlotte Quiney, both of whom died in Beverly, New Jersey, their only American home. James J. Quiney married Amanda Hancock, daughter of Capt. Isaac and Elizabeth (Sutton) Hancock, her father a sea captain and of a seafaring New Jersey family many generations back.

Dr. James John Quiney, Jr., only child of James John and Amanda (Hancock) Quiney, was born in Camden, New Jersey, July 31, 1881. His father died when his son was but an infant, his widow yet surviving him and again married. The family moved to Cape May county, New Jersey, where the lad was educated in the public schools, and at South Jersey Institute, Bridgeton, New Jersey. After deciding upon the medical profession, he entered Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, and received his M.D. from that old and famous institution of professional learning with the graduating class of 1903. He selected Easton, Pennsylvania, as a location, but before beginning private practice he served for one year as interne at Easton Hospital, opening private offices for the practice of his profession in 1904. He has conducted his practice, both as physician and surgeon, being skilled and capable in both branches of the profession. He has specialized to a certain extent in Roentgen Ray work, and is rated one of the highly skillful men of his profession. He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, Easton Medical Association. His standing is high both within and without his profession, and he has borne his full share of civic responsibility both as official and citizen. Dr. Quiney is an ex-president and an ex-secretary of the Northampton Medical Society, and present secretary of the Easton Medical Association; member of the staff of Easton Hospital, and a member of the Easton Board of Trade. He is an Independent in politics, and for nine years was Easton's health officer. He is a member of the Masonic order, holding membership in Easton Lodge No. 152, and Easton Chapter; and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; his clubs, the Pomfret and Kiwanis; his college fraternity, Alpha Kappa Kappa.

Dr. Quiney married, September 21, 1894, Pearl Anna Norton, daughter of Coleman and Anna Belle (Scull) Norton, of Cape May county, New Jersey. Mrs. Quiney is a member of the Women's Club, the Red Cross, the Navy League, and helpfully active in woman's work in civic affairs. Dr. and Mrs. Quiney are the parents of two children: Elizabeth Ingles and James John (3).

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**MAURICE CLEMENS**—Dr. Jacob Breckenbridge Clemens, father of Maurice Clemens, and son of James Wolfe and Eleanor (Sherrad) Clemens,



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was of Virginia birth, but prior to his marriage in 1850, moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, where his son Maurice was born. He completed his classical studies at Virginia Military Institute, then entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated M.D. He continued in the active general practice of medicine in Easton until his death, January 11, 1867. He was an excellent physician and an expert entomologist, his entomologist collections, which he presented to the University of Pennsylvania and to Lafayette College, being rare and valuable. In religious faith Dr. Clemens was an Episcopalian. He married Susan Burke Wagener, and they were the parents of four children: Mary W., deceased wife of George K. Sistare; Harold, deceased; James B., a practicing physician of New York City; and Maurice, of further mention.

Susan Burke (Wagener) Clemens was a daughter of Hon. David and Mary (Knauss) Wagener, granddaughter of Judge Daniel and Eve (Opp) Wagener, and great-granddaughter of David Wagener, born in Silicia, Germany, May 24, 1736. David Wagener was brought from his native land, and on October 26, 1741, the family became residents of Worcester township in Philadelphia county, Pennsylvania. In manhood he moved to Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where he became a man of influence, serving from 1791 until his death in Easton, May 9, 1796, as associate judge of Northampton courts. He married Susannah Umsted, born February 2, 1734, died April 22, 1819. They were members of the Lutheran church.

Daniel Wagener, son of David and Susannah (Umsted) Wagener, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, near Doylestown, in the year 1766, and in 1777 was brought by his parents to Easton, where he lived until his death in 1842. He was identified with many interests of the city and county, engaged in milling and merchandising for a number of years. His father built the large grist-mill on the east side of Bushkill creek in 1792, his father having built a similar mill on the opposite side of the creek in 1780. He took an active part in public affairs, and like his father served the county of Northampton, his term of office covering a period of thirty-nine years. He married, April 13, 1785, Eve Opp, and reared a family of three sons and two daughters.

David D. Wagener, son of Judge Daniel and Eve (Opp) Wagener, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, October 11, 1792, and died in Easton, October 21, 1860. After his years of educational training were finished, he became his father's assistant in store and mill, and all his life was engaged in business affairs, although he took a deep interest in public affairs, was a leader of the Pennsylvania Democracy, and gave a great deal of his time to the public service, serving his district four terms in the national House of Representatives. From May 4, 1852, when he was elected president of the Easton Bank, until his death, October 21, 1860, he guided the destinies of that institution, and left it one of the strong, financial institutions of the State. In 1828 he was elected a member of the Pennsylvania House of Assembly, serving in 1829, 1830 and 1831, retiring upon his election to Congress in 1832. He was re-elected in 1834, 1836 and 1838, but upon the expiration of his fourth term in 1840, he retired from public life, and henceforth gave himself to his private business affairs. He was a trusted friend of General Jackson and of James A. Buchanan, and in a published estimate of his character, the *Easton Argus* of October 4, 1860, said:

He was not only a good man but a useful man. He was a kind and faithful friend, a safe counsellor, an indulgent and affectionate father, and an upright man in all relations of life. To the poor he was kind and liberal, and many a penniless beginner he started on his voyage to fight the battle of life, who has been cheered on by the kind assistance and good counsel of David D. Wagener. The possessor of an ample fortune, he was ever plain and simple in his habits, familiar and social in his intercourse with his fellow men, yet dignified in his bearing. He was a strictly upright man and scorned to do a dishonorable act in public or private life. He was constitutionally an honest man, and his word was as good as his bond. Few men have left behind them a brighter record or a more illustrious example than the Hon. David D. Wagener.

Mr. Wagener's connection with the Easton Union Guard is interesting. He was elected captain of the Guard at its organization in 1816, and held that rank until its disbandment in 1829. In 1824 he led the Guard in the grand parade at Philadelphia, in connection with the reception to General Lafayette. He was the principal donor of the land upon which the county court house in Easton is built, and he was a liberal supporter of all good causes. He married Mary Knauss, and they were the parents of two sons and three daughters, including Susan Burke Wagener, born April 15, 1827, married, November 30, 1850, Dr. Jacob Breckenbridge Clemens, they the parents of Maurice Clemens, of Easton.

Maurice Clemens was born in Easton, December 17, 1865, and there has spent his life. After public school attendance in Easton, he prepared for college at Cheltenham Military College, at Elkins, Pennsylvania, 1880-84, then entered Lafayette College as a member of the class of 1888. He gave many years of his life to the management of the family estate, and not until 1907 did he give himself to a private business. Since 1907 he has conducted a general insurance and real estate business, and has made it a successful enterprise. Mr. Clemens early became an enlisted member of the Pennsylvania National Guard, and in 1898 he enlisted with his regiment for service in the Spanish-American War, but the command was not mustered into the United States service. On February 7, 1902, he was elected captain of Company I, Thirteenth Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guard, and on December 20, 1917, he was appointed captain of Company A, Second Regiment, Pennsylvania Reserve Militia, by Gov. William Sproul. Himself a talented musician, Mr. Clemens has always taken a deep interest in musical affairs, and all his life has been a student, teacher and leader. He studied under noted music masters of New York City, and as a leader of large choruses he is well known, and as a choral leader has more than a local reputation. He is a member of Easton Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Zeta Psi fraternity; the Pomfret Club; Northampton County Country Club; Trinity Episcopal Church of Easton; and in politics is a Democrat.

Mr. Clemens married, February 10, 1906, Sue Pomp Maxwell, who died April 10, 1913.

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**HARRY J. OSTERSTOCK—EDWARD L. OSTERSTOCK**—The family name was brought to America by Matthias Ostertag, who arrived in Philadelphia, September 13, 1749, and to Easton by Thomas Osterstock, born in 1750, died in 1773. He married Mary Elizabeth Wolf, and had children: Leonard, Henry, Mary, Thomas; John and Elizabeth. This John is supposedly the great-grandfather of Harry J. and Edward L. Osterstock, who are grandsons of John Stephen and Rachel (Lawall) Osterstock, and sons of John Stephen and Mary Etta (Kichline) Osterstock. John Osterstock died on his farm near Butztown, Pennsylvania, having settled there upon his arrival from Germany, in company with his brother Stephen, who settled in Forks township.

John S. (2) Osterstock, father of Harry J. and Edward L. Osterstock, was born in Butztown, a village of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, two miles from Freemansburg, July 3, 1846. He was educated in the public schools, and began business life as clerk in the general store of William Lawall. Later he established in business for himself as a hardware merchant at No. 22 Centre Square, Easton, a location at which he conducted a successful business for thirty years. He died in the full tide of business success, December 31, 1914. He was a lifelong Democrat, a member of the First

Reformed Church, Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Improved Order of Red Men. He married, in Easton, September 3, 1848, Mary Etta Kichline, daughter of Thomas and Anna Maria (Fraunfelter) Kichline. Mrs. Osterstock died in Easton, March 28, 1896, leaving five children: Harry J., of further mention; Edward L., of further mention; Fanny, secretary to the principal of Easton High School; Helen, a bookkeeper with her brother, Harry J.; Edith M., assistant to the registrar of Lafayette College.

The Kichlines are one of the oldest families of Easton, the first of the name, Peter Kichline, coming prior to the Revolution. He was born in Germany, October 8, 1722, and died in Easton, November 27, 1789. He built the first grist-mill within the limits of the town of Easton, was a hotelkeeper, and rented his large room in his new house to the county commissioners for holding court, elections or other public business. Fleeing from a land of oppression, he was among the first to espouse the cause of Liberty, and in 1774 was elected a member of Northampton County Committee of Safety. He had previously served in the Indian War, and in the Revolution he was one of the hardest of fighters. He was a lieutenant of the Northampton Company, and at the Brooklyn fight was taken prisoner, but soon returned to his home and continued his efforts to advance the Colonial cause. He became a colonel of militia, was county commissioner, 1759, sheriff, 1762, member of Assembly, 1774, and justice of the peace. His mill property on the Bushkill, back of Mount Jefferson, passed into the hands of his son, Andrew Kichline, and he spent his last year with his son, Peter Kichline, at his farm two miles north of Easton.

Harry J. Osterstock was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, June 16, 1872. He was educated in the public schools, attending high school one year under Professor Sandt. When a boy, he began assisting his father in store work, and finally became his trusted assistant. When, on December 31, 1914, John Stephen Osterstock passed away, his sons succeeded him, and the business is yet continued, Harry J. being the active head. The business is strictly hardware and allied lines, located at No. 22 Centre Square. Harry J. Osterstock has won high and honorable standing as a business man, and thoroughly understands the hardware business, having come through all grades, from a boy's job to sole managing head. He is a member of Dallas Lodge No. 376, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter No. 52, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Lehigh Lodge No. 244, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Rotary Club, and in politics is an independent. He has served four years as a member of the City School Board, and is interested in the cause of good government.

Mr. Osterstock married, in Portland, Pennsylvania, September 22, 1896, Daisy M. Dietrich, daughter of Jeremiah and Mary Dietrich. Mr. and Mrs. Osterstock have a son, John Stephen (3), born February 28, 1902, a graduate of Easton High School.

Edward L. Osterstock was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, December 23, 1877, the family home then being on Ferry street in the Sixth Ward. He was educated in the public schools of Easton, finishing with graduation from high school, class of 1895. He then entered Lafayette College, whence he was graduated in 1899. He began business life as a clerk in Easton National Bank, continuing until 1909, when he resigned and accepted his present position, superintendent of the Jackson Mills Emery Company of Easton. He has capably filled that position, and is one of Easton's far-sighted, progressive business men. He is a member and treasurer of the First Reformed Church, member of Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Paven Commandery, Knights Templar; and Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Foresters of America, and in politics a Democrat.



**HARRY ULYSSES SHERMAN, M.D.**—More than half a century ago, Dr. Austin Birchard Sherman was graduated from Jefferson College, Philadelphia, and with his newly acquired degree of M.D. he located at Girardville, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, there practicing until his death at the age of seventy-seven. He became not only one of the leading physicians, but also one of the most eminent surgeons of that section of Pennsylvania, and while living inspired his son, Dr. Harry U. Sherman, with his spirit of devotion to the medical profession, and with a desire to emulate the example of his honored father and give himself to the mission of alleviating the suffering of humanity. He, too, claims Jefferson College as his *alma mater*, and for a quarter of a century he has practiced the healing art, fifteen of those years in Easton, Pennsylvania, where he is a successful specialist in diseases of the nose and throat.

Dr. Austin Birchard Sherman was born in Susquehanna county, Pennsylvania, July 8, 1829, died in Girardville, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1906. He was a graduate of Jefferson College, class of 1855, and a lifelong general practitioner of Schuylkill county, and ever eminent as a surgeon. He married Belinda M. Boyer, born September 28, 1830, died February 4, 1917, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Dreisbach) Boyer, of Weaversville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. Dr. and Mrs. Sherman were the parents of three children: Hattie, died in infancy; Austin C., a leading attorney of Mahoney City, Pennsylvania, who died August 4, 1917; and Harry Ulysses, of whom further.

Dr. Harry Ulysses Sherman was born in Girardville, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1869. He there completed his public school education. He completed study at Fremont Seminary in 1887, then entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, whence he was graduated M.D., class of 1892. During the two following years he was interne, then house physician to St. Luke's Hospital, South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, after which service he located for private practice in Mahoney City, Pennsylvania. He practiced there two years, then moved to New York City, where he was in practice eight years, this bringing him to 1903, the year of his removal to Easton, which has since been his home and the seat of his very successful practice. While earlier his practice was general in character, it is now confined to consultation on the special diseases of the nose and throat. He is a member of the local and State medical societies, Easton Young Men's Christian Association, Kiscoe Lodge No. 708, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Lodge No. 121, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Presbyterian church. He has devoted himself closely to the duties of his exacting profession, but recreation periods are not infrequent, and with rod and gun he finds his healthful out-of-door enjoyment.

Dr. Sherman married, June 6, 1896, Julia Keyes Miller, who died June 10, 1902.

**WILSON H. BOEHM**—Now retired from active business, Wilson H. Boehm, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, reviews a long and busy life as farmer's boy, Bethlehem steel mill worker and truck farmer. He is a descendant of Rev. John Philip Boehm, the first Reformed minister in Pennsylvania, who owned lands in Northampton county, although his own home was in Whitpain township, Montgomery county. This Northampton land was deeded to his eldest son, Anthony William Boehm, before his father's death in 1749, but later in life Anthony W. removed to Hellertown, where he built a house referred to as the "oldest" in Hellertown. Wilson H. Boehm is a son of James Monroe Boehm, son of Philip (2) Boehm, son of Philip (1) Boehm, son of Anthony William Boehm, son of Rev. John Philip Boehm, the founder of the family in America.

(1) Rev. John Philip Boehm was a son of Rev. Philip Lewis Boehm, a Reformed minister at Machenbuchen, near Hanan, a town of Prussia in Hesse-



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Nassau, on the Kinzig river. He was born, it is believed, in the year 1683, came to Pennsylvania not later than 1720, and died in Hellertown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, April 29, 1749. Driven from his native land by persecution, he came to the land of the Penns, which had been heralded all over Europe as a home where freedom of religious thought was allowed. On his arrival, he located in Whitpain township, then in Philadelphia, now in Montgomery county, in the neighborhood now marked by "Boehm's church." He was a man of education, and soon became a leader in his community, particularly marked as a man of deep piety. There were no ordained ministers to minister to the spiritual needs of the Germans of that neighborhood in their own tongue, and they appealed to Boehm, the pious schoolmaster, to act as their pastor in order that they might have the consolation of religion. He hesitated, for he was not an ordained minister of the Gospel, and believed it would be against church law and order. But finally he yielded to their tearful entreaties, and near the close of the year 1725 became the unordained pastor at Falckner's Swamp, Skippack and White Marsh. He drew up a constitution for the government of these three congregations, which was undoubtedly the earliest form of discipline adopted by the German Reformed congregations in America. It was doctrinely sound, and provided for all forms of services, ceremonies and government, that constituted the pure German Reformed doctrine according to the confession of faith of that church, and provided for the use of the Heidelberg catechism.

In September, 1727, George Michael Weiss, an ordained minister, was sent to this country by the "Upper Consistory or Classis of the Palatinate." This at once brought on a conflict between ordained and unordained ministerial authority, and the friends of John Philip Boehm sought advice from the Classis of Amsterdam (Holland). That body, after duly considering the matter, declared all the ministerial acts of John Philip Boehm to be valid, but further decreed that, "he must be ordained to the ministry according to ecclesiastical authority." He at once complied with the ruling of the Amsterdam Classis, and on November 23, 1729, John Philip Boehm was ordained, in New York, a minister of the Reformed church. He continued ministerial work in his own congregations and elsewhere in Pennsylvania. It was recorded that as early as 1734 he preached for the Reformed congregation in Philadelphia in a house rented jointly with the Lutheran congregation. On August 1, 1746, Michael Schalter arrived in Pennsylvania, having been sent by the church in the fatherland as mission superintendent. Rev. Boehm heartily seconded the missionary effort, and made many journeys with Schalter, preaching, administering sacrament, and upbuilding congregations in various places.

When John Philip Boehm first began preaching, his own house in Whitpain township was the meeting place. In 1740 he aided in erecting a small stone church which stood where the present Boehm's church now stands. There he preached, also in Philadelphia and Germantown until 1747, when, at his own request, owing to the growing infirmities of old age, he was relieved by Rev. Michael Schalter, whom he solemnly installed as his successor. Henceforth his labors were confined to a narrow circle. He served as stated clerk of the First German Reformed Synod held in Philadelphia in September, 1747, and continued zealous and fervid for the two years following when death overtook him at the home of his son, Anthony William, in Hellertown, Pennsylvania. He was buried within the precincts of the church which he had helped to rear with his own hands, in Whitpain township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. It is not known who preached the funeral sermon. Rev. Michael Schalter, the pastor, was absent on a missionary tour, but upon his return he preached a memorial sermon in which his friend and contemporary was warmly eulogized. This little "Boehm's church" which he founded, now has a membership of three



hundred, and supports its own pastor. He acquired some three hundred acres of farm land in Montgomery county, and blessings both spiritual and material attended his life and work. The three hundred acres in Lehigh were conveyed in 1747 by Rev. John Philip and Anna Maria Boehm to their eldest son, Anthony William Boehm, "for and in consideration of the natural love and affection which they have and do bear for and toward their son."

John Philip Boehm married, in Germany, Anna Maria Sherrer, and they were the parents of six children: Anthony William, of further mention; Anna Maria, married Adam Moser; Sebina, married Ludwig Bitting; Elizabeth, married George Shamboh; Maria Philippina, married Cornelius Dewees; and John Philip, married, August 2, 1753, Anna Maria Yost.

(II) Anthony William Boehm, son of John Philip Boehm, was born in Worms, Germany, April 27, 1714, and died at his farm in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, April 6, 1766. He received the farm in Upper Saucon township from his father, and that with all else he acquired in the way of real estate passed to his only son, Philip. His wife, Hannah Philis Boehm, survived him with her only child, Philip. Anthony W. Boehm was buried in a private cemetery on his own farm.

(III) Philip Boehm, only son of Anthony William and Hannah Philis Boehm, was born at the homestead in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, December 14, 1747, and died January 10, 1816. He was the first to dispose of any of the land first owned by Rev. John Philip Boehm, consequently he did not leave the family so well endowed with land as his predecessors, but he did leave a larger family, and from him sprang a numerous family. He was a man of more than ordinary intelligence, owning considerable property in Upper Saucon township, then Northampton, now Lehigh county, and according to the tax list of 1782 for Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, he owned a tanyard, three horses, four cows, and four sheep. In 1779 he was assistant collector of taxes for Lower Saucon, and at an election held October 10, 1780, he was elected coroner of Northampton county. From 1779 to 1785 he is also described in the records as an inn keeper of Lower Saucon township. Philip (1) Boehm was also lieutenant-colonel of Colonel Guger's battalion of Northampton county militia, and from Colonial records, Volume XI, page 279, this extract is taken: "On motion agreed that Philip Boehm be appointed paymaster of the Militia of the County of Northampton." (Minutes of the Supreme Council, August 27, 1777.) There are many references to him in connection with the military affairs of the county, and although he sold much of the land inherited from his father, realizing \$12,000, he was not a wealthy man, probably being paid in Continental money, there being a tradition that he left a chest full of that worthless money. He married Anna Barbara Schreiber, born November 2, 1747, who survived him sixteen years, dying October 10, 1832. By stipulation with the buyers she continued her residence in the old home, a stone house, now standing on what is known as the Geissenger farm. Philip and Anna Barbara Boehm were both buried at Lower Saucon Reformed Church graveyard. They were the parents of eight children: Anthony, married Catherine Geissenger; Philip, married Elizabeth Wasser; John, of whom further; David; Catherine, married Jacob Kramm; Susanna, married Jacob Ochs; Mary, married Jacob Haas; and Elizabeth, married Jacob Miller.

(IV) Philip (2) Boehm, second son of Philip (1) and Anna Barbara (Schreiber) Boehm, was born at the homestead, March 7, 1770, and died January 28, 1869. He was a farmer of Lower Saucon township, and there spent his life. He married Elizabeth Wasser, born August 18, 1781, died January 6, 1850. They were the parents of nine children: John Peter, married Anna Maria Orner; Thomas M., married Lucinda F. Hall; James

Monroe, of further mention; Mary, married Daniel Frey; Sarah, married Stephen Balbert; Polly, married George Stuber; Catherine, married George Ruth; Julianna, married Jesse Bellheimer; and Elizabeth, married George Henn.

(V) James Monroe Boehm, third son of Philip (2) and Elizabeth (Wasser) Boehm, was born at the home farm in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, September 10, 1815, and died March 7, 1891. He was a farmer all his life. He married, October 21, 1837, Maria Desh, born in Macungie township, Northampton county, November 8, 1816, died November 6, 1893. Both are buried in the churchyard of Lower Saucon church. James M. and Maria (Desh) Boehm were the parents of seven children: 1. Lucy A., born in Lower Saucon township, February 8, 1839; married, May 31, 1857, Charles Kichline. 2. Wilson H., of further mention. 3. Ellen E., born August 1, 1842; married, August 3, 1861, Lawrence Hoffert. 4. Henry M., born March 20, 1847; married, August 1, 1868, Saraetta Ehrig and has children: Harvey P., Anna M., Wilson H., Ammon A., Celeste M., Ellen S., Carrie I., and Milton W. 5. William A., born April 2, 1851; married, November 10, 1872, Mary A. Hillegass; children: Calvin J., Peter J., Edward R., Elwood J., Howard W., Steward A., Charles H., and Maria E. 6. George W., born February 22, 1853; married, August 2, 1879, Isabella Young; children: William J. and Harry W. 7. Alfred J., whose sketch follows.

(VI) Wilson H. Boehm, eldest son of James Monroe and Maria (Desh) Boehm, was born at the paternal farm in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, January 14, 1840. He attended the district school, and was his father's farm assistant until 1865, when he came to South Bethlehem and entered the employ of the Bethlehem Iron Company, now the Bethlehem Steel Company. He continued in the employ of that company for ten years, then, in 1875, purchased a farm in the Bethlehem section, and for twenty-five years, 1875-1900, operated it very profitably as a truck farm, marketing the products of his farm in Bethlehem. He retired in 1900, and is now (1919) enjoying the comforts and ease to which his life of active, intelligent farming richly entitles him. He has been a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for fifty-one years, and of the Masonic Order for thirty-four years. In the latter order he is a past master of Hellertown Lodge. He is a deacon of the Reformed church, and in politics is a Democrat.

Mr. Boehm married, February 24, 1861, at Allentown, Pennsylvania, Louisa Ache, daughter of Michael and Louisa (Werling) Ache. Her father was a farmer of Lower Saucon township. Mrs. Boehm was born at the home farm, December 16, 1840, and after thirty-nine years of happy married life died at her home in Hellertown, June 6, 1900. Mr. Boehm resides in Hellertown, Pennsylvania, now a borough of Northampton county, of which town his ancestor, Anthony William Boehm, was a resident and one of the founders.

(VI) Alfred J. Boehm, youngest child and fifth son of James Monroe and Maria (Desh) Boehm, was born in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1859, and is now residing in Hellertown, a thriving borough of that township, situated in the fertile Saucon Valley. He was educated in the public schools, and after several years of farming and teaming became a resident of Hellertown, and is the Hellertown agent for the Caloric Pipeless Furnaces. He also conducts a general hauling business, and is active in business affairs. Mr. Boehm is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Junior Order of American Mechanics, and the Reformed church. In politics he is a Democrat, and for nine years served as a member of Hellertown Borough Council.

Mr. Boehm married, August 5, 1878, Tevilla S. Owens, born in Lower Saucon, January 11, 1861, died in Hellertown, April 4, 1911, daughter of Samuel and Lavina (Weaver) Owens, of Lower Saucon. Her father was born in Wales, Great Britain. Children: 1. Flora C., born June 2, 1881; married, September 7, 1900, Harry J. Harvey, of Hellertown, who died January 4, 1918; his widow now serves as postmaster of Hellertown; she has two children: Elroy Joseph and Wilbur Gladstone Harvey. 2. Jabez, a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, class of 1904, and of Oberlin Theological Seminary, 1907, now pastor of the Reformed church at Quarryville, Pennsylvania; he married Helen Connor, of Quarryville, and has a son, Jabez, Jr. 3. Elizabeth, who died in 1915, wife of Theodore Lamprose, of Norristown, Pennsylvania. 4. Ida Mae, married John Rodney Moffett, foreman of Machine No. 6, Bethlehem Steel Works. 5. Norman. 6. Jennings, born September 19, 1900, now works for the Silvex Company, Hellertown; he married, November, 1918, Marion Santee, of Hornell, New York.

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**JAMES HENRY STACEY**--The Kendrick Cleaning and Dyeing Establishment, located at No. 609 Walnut street, Easton, was formerly known as the Berlin Cleaners and Dyers, but when war was declared upon Germany by the United States the patriotic owners, James Henry Stacey and John R. Kendrick, brothers-in-law, hastened to eliminate a word which had become so distasteful to almost the entire world. Mr. Stacey had for many years prior to his engaging in the dyeing and cleaning business had wide experience as a pottery worker, learning his trade in the Trenton, New Jersey, potteries, and then going to the Ohio pottery manufacturing section.

He is a son of John Stacey, born in Eccleshall, a small town of Staffordshire, England, in 1842, who there learned the barber's trade, which he followed all his active years. He married, in Leek, Staffordshire, June 1, 1882, Harriet Deakin, born in Leek, March 24, 1864, and there the young couple resided until 1885, when they came to the United States, locating in Trenton, New Jersey. John Stacey opened a shop on Perry street, and there continued in business until his death in 1892. He was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and is buried in Riverview Cemetery at Trenton. John and Harriet (Deakin) Stacey were the parents of two sons, James Henry, of further mention; and William Edward, both born in Trenton, New Jersey. William E. learned the watchmaker's trade, but enlisted, and has long been with the American Expeditionary Force in France. He married Cecelia Masker. Mrs. Harriet (Deakin) Stacey survived her husband and married (second) James J. Bagnall, who died in January, 1909, leaving a son, Lawrence E. Bagnall, who is now a private of Company A, Sixtieth United States Infantry, with the American Expeditionary Force in France.

James Henry Stacey, eldest son of John and Harriet (Deakin) Stacey, was born at the Perry street home of his parents in Trenton, New Jersey, October 9, 1884. He attended public school in Trenton until 1898, then became a potter's apprentice, Trenton being one of the principal manufacturing centers of the United States. He served an apprenticeship of five years, then for two years more remained in Trenton as a journeyman potter. During this period, however, he had become interested in the subject of dyes and dyeing, making this a matter of study and thought. But he continued his work as a pottery pressman in Trenton, New Jersey; Columbus, Ohio; and Mannington, West Virginia; finally returning to Trenton, where he again worked in the potteries. In 1908 he opened a dyeing and cleaning shop in Trenton, but a year later moved his business to Phillipsburg, New Jersey, there remaining another year. In 1910 he formed a partnership with his brother-in-law, John R. Kendrick, and opened a cleaning and dye-



ing establishment which they operated as The Berlin Cleaners and Dyers. This name was changed in 1917 to the Kendrick Dyeing and Cleaning Company, and on August 12, 1918, Mr. Stacey became its proprietor through purchase of the partner's interest. He continues the business at No. 609 Walnut street, Easton, and has won a secure place in public regard as his abundant patronage testifies. He is a Democrat in politics, a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, and of the Knights of Pythias.

Mr. Stacey married, August 26, 1907, Edith M. Kendrick, born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, June 14, 1883, daughter of John and Marion R. (Bessonnett) Kendrick, and granddaughter of Thomas Kendrick, who was born, lived, and died in England. Marion Bessonnett was a daughter of John Bessonnett, of Burlington, New Jersey, where his father died, leaving a family of eleven children. John Bessonnett was a millwright, who ended his useful life in Phillipsburg, at the great age of eighty-eight years. The Bessonnetts are of French ancestry, and in Colonial days a member of the family kept the Bessonnett Inn at Burlington, New Jersey, and was well known to travelers in New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. The old innkeeper had two brothers in the Revolutionary War, and he ended his life in retirement at Bristol, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Edith M. (Kendrick) Stacey grew to womanhood in Harrisburg, her education being obtained in Trenton public schools. She is a member of Christ Episcopal Church, Trenton. Mr. and Mrs. Stacey are the parents of three sons, Harold Kenneth, Howard Russell, and Francis Raymond Stacey.

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**J. JAMES CONDRAN, M. D.**—As head of Easton Department of Public Health, Dr. Condran brought to his task the aid of modern sanitary development and knowledge, and an enthusiasm and expert helpfulness which has made his administration of the department most satisfactory to the people and given Easton a high standard of health conditions. He has been engaged in the private practice of his profession in Easton since 1911, and has been head of the public health department of the city since 1912. Dr. Condran is the only son of Jeremiah and Mary Jane (Kane) Condran, his father a retired silk manufacturer of Easton. His only sister, Josephine Condran, married William Kolb, of Easton.

Dr. J. James Condran was born at Tobyhanna Mills, Monroe county, Pennsylvania, November 9, 1886. He was educated in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, public schools, finishing with high school graduation, class of 1906, and at Medico-Chirurgical Medical College, Philadelphia, there receiving his M.D., class of 1910. After graduation he accepted appointment as house surgeon to the General Hospital, Paterson, New Jersey, and at River Lawn Sanitarium, same city, but one year later resigned and in 1911 returned to Easton where he at once began private practice. He was appointed and yet serves on the medical staff of Easton Hospital, is surgeon to the Stewart Silk Mills, Zehnder Brick Company, Gunning Silk Company, Schaible Bakery Company, is chief of the Easton branch of the Pennsylvania State Genito-Urinary Dispensary, and from all these sources is kept very busy. In 1912 he was appointed city health officer, reappointed in 1914, 1916, 1918, now serving his fourth consecutive term of two years each. He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Pomfret Club, Spartan Club, St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, and is a Republican in politics.

Dr. Condran married, April 9, 1912, Mary Elizabeth Wohlback, and they are the parents of a daughter, Mary Louise, and a son, J. James, Jr.

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**EARL M. SLACK**—As head of the Diehl & Slack Company, which he founded in Easton, Mr. Slack is reaping the benefits of his own skill and

business enterprise, he having come to the city a young man and an electrician. That he has succeeded and won a place in the business life of his adopted city is greatly to his credit. He is a son of George M. and Amanda (Snyder) Slack.

Earl M. Slack was born in Bangor, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, April 12, 1887. He was educated in Bangor public schools, and after graduation from high school entered the employ of the Bangor Electric Light, Heat & Power Company, remaining there two years. The year following was spent with the Bethlehem Steel Company, in the electrical department. He next located in Easton, where he was employed by local electric contractors until 1906, when he formed a partnership with Edward M. Diehl, of Easton, under the firm name, Diehl & Slack, electrical engineers and contractors. They began business at the corner of Tenth and Northampton streets, and in 1909 incorporated their business as the Diehl & Slack Company, Mr. Diehl, president, Mr. Slack, secretary-treasurer. In 1914 Mr. Slack bought the Diehl stock, and has since been the executive head and manager. In 1915 the business headquarters of the company was again moved to No. 320 Ferry street, where a prosperous general electrical contracting and engineering business is conducted in Easton, Pennsylvania, and Phillipsburg, New Jersey. The company carries a full line of electrical supplies and fixtures, and in all things keeps abreast of all electrical improvements and advancement. Mr. Slack is a Republican in politics, and is a member of the First Reformed Church of Easton, Pennsylvania. He is affiliated with Bangor Lodge No. 1106, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is highly regarded by his friends and business associates.

Mr. Slack married, October 20, 1909, Bertha C. Shover, of Wind Gap, Pennsylvania, daughter of John Shover. They are the parents of a daughter, Arline Bertha. The family home is at No. 13 South Eleventh street.

**J. FREDERICK OSTERSTOCK**—As manager of Easton's three leading theatres, Mr. Osterstock is responsible to a large degree for the quality and quantity of theatrical entertainment furnished the people of the city. That the responsibility is well met is the consensus of Easton's opinion, and the degree of prosperity which has attended the operation of the theatres which he manages is the only other evidence needed to prove that as purveyor of entertainment to the public he is a success. Mr. Osterstock is a member of the seventh generation of the family founded in Pennsylvania by Matthias Osterstock, Sr., who came to Philadelphia in 1749.

J. Frederick Osterstock is a son of Joseph Swift Osterstock, of Easton, a veteran of the Civil War, successful merchant and worthy citizen, now gone to his reward. According to competent authority, the Osterstocks of Easton descend from Grav Friderick Zolr der Ostertag, who in 1315 lived at Tagingen in Würtemberg, as per Schmidt's "History of the Palatine Counts of Zollern-hohenberg." Siegfried Ostertag, a descendant of the above, lived in Stuttgart, in the same principality, in 1393. The two families noted in the vicinity in 1870 in a work of Heraldry by Rietstap, whose coat-of-arms denote a common origin, are as follows: Ostertag of Suabia (included now in Würtemberg and Bavaria, capital, Augsburg), also Ostertag of Nordlingen, on the border between the two former states, whose coat-of-arms is as follows: *D'azur a un agneau pascal d'argent, la tete entouree D'une aureole d'or, passant, sur une colline de sinople. Cimier, l'agneau pascal. Lambrequins; d'or et d'azur.* This being interpreted is:

**Arms**—On a shield of blue with an Easter lamb of silver, the head surrounded with a halo of gold, walking on a hill of green.

**Crest**—Easter lamb. Drapery: of gold and blue.

(I) Matthias Ostertag, born in 1729, emigrated with his father, being more than seventeen when he arrived in this country. They no doubt settled near



*J. Fred Osterstock*





Bethlehem, as a descendant by the name of John was assessed there in 1794.

(II) Thomas Osterstock, born in 1750, died in 1773, is believed to be a son of the above, although there are no records to substantiate it. He lived in Forks township, immediately to the north of the city of Easton, and died intestate, as shown by the court recorder. The bond was filed June 21, 1773, indicating about the time of his death. His wife, Mary Elizabeth (Wolf) Osterstock, was named an administratrix. The settlement of the estate was made March 17, 1774. The children at that time were: Leonard, above fourteen; Henry, Mary, Thomas, John and Elizabeth.

(III) Thomas (2) Osterstock, born about 1770, died about 1814. He was assessed in Forks township in 1793, but does not appear in the list of 1786, nor is there will nor court record. His wife was ——— Frederick, died at the age of ninety. Their children were: Henry, Jacob, Charles, a daughter, Mrs. Cramer; another daughter, Mrs. Raesner.

(IV) Charles Osterstock, born July, 1806, died February 3, 1851, lived in Forks township. He married Elizabeth Focht, born December 11, 1811, died June 16, 1855. Both are buried in Easton Cemetery. They had children: William Gould, Joseph Swift, Theodore, Emily (Kaufman) and Elizabeth (Swift).

(V) William Gould Osterstock, born May 7, 1834, died December 8, 1866, lived in Easton, Pennsylvania, where he married Sophia Connelly, born April 9, 1840. He served through the entire Civil War as first sergeant, Fifty-first Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was wounded at Petersburg, Virginia, and died soon after the war as a result.

(V) Joseph Swift Osterstock, second son of Charles and Elizabeth (Focht) Osterstock, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, February 11, 1842, died in his native city, 1918. The house in which he was born stood at the foot of the steps leading to Lafayette College, the Chemical Publishing Company's building now occupying the site. He had little opportunity for school attendance, but that little was well improved, and by self-study he became well informed. He began his long career in business as a boy clerk with T. B. Curtis, tinware and stoves, whose place of business was at the corner of Northampton and Sitgreaves streets, where he was a clerk for a number of years. He was appointed assistant postmaster of Easton under Postmaster James K. Dawes, his next business change being in 1872, when he succeeded Chidsey Brothers in the stove and housefurnishing business at No. 212 Northampton street. There he continued in business for thirty-seven years, until 1909, when he retired. He was an able business man, upright and progressive, keeping up with the times and conducting his store along the best modern lines. He had an excellent memory, kept a concise record of events, and was an authority on local history.

As a soldier of the Union, Mr. Osterstock compiled an honorable record and rose to the rank of second lieutenant. He first enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served nine months, his full term of enlistment. During that period he was engaged at the battles of Second Bull Run, Antietam, Kearneysville, Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. He enlisted a second time, immediately after the expiration of his first term, his next command being Company D, Twenty-seventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Emergency Regiment, Colonel Frick commanding the regiment, Capt. Joseph Oliver, the company. He became first sergeant of Company D, and as such was in a severe skirmish at Wrightsville, Pennsylvania, when the command, while resisting the invasion of the State by General Early, saved themselves by burning the bridge across the Susquehanna at Columbia. When his second term of service expired, Sergeant Osterstock again enlisted, his third command being with Company H, Two Hundred and Fourteenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, attaining with that regiment a second lieutenant's commission. His

captain was Edward Kelly, of Easton. Lieutenant Osterstock served with the Two Hundred and Fourteenth Regiment until the close of the war, when he was honorably discharged and returned to his home in Easton.

Lieutenant Osterstock was a member of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, Lafayette Post No. 217, Grand Army of the Republic, and for several years was an active member of the old Phoenix Fire Company, being its vice-president at the time that organization was disbanded, October 30, 1879. He was a leader of many of the large parades as chief marshal, and for many years he assisted in the alumni dinner at Lafayette College. He was elected a member of Easton's first Common Council, under the city charter of 1887, representing the First Ward. He took a seat in Council, April 4, 1887, and served until April 1, 1889. He married Sarah Sheatz, who died October 26, 1914, leaving a son, J. Frederick, whose career is herein traced.

(VI) J. Frederick Osterstock, son of Joseph Swift and Sarah (Sheatz) Osterstock, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, May 21, 1884. He was educated in the public schools of the city, prepared in Easton Academy, passing thence to Lafayette College, a member of the class of 1905. In college he was a leader in the musical circles. He was a member of Zeta Psi fraternity, and one of the well liked and popular men of his class. After graduation he located in Philadelphia, where for eighteen months he was associated with James B. Carson & Company, real estate operators, in their surveying and engineering department. The following two years he was engineer in charge of shop construction for the Pennsylvania railroad, then for three seasons was manager and musical director of a road theatrical company. At the expiration of his third season he returned to Easton to assume the management of the newly completed Orpheum Theatre, and in 1910 the Able Opera House was also placed under his capable direction as manager. He became well known as a successful manager, and in 1916 the Colonial was added to his list of theatres, he acting as the Easton manager of the Wilmer & Vincent incorporated interests.

In addition to the foregoing responsibilities, Mr. Osterstock has during that period of theatrical management served as temporary manager of the Wilmer & Vincent interests in their new theatres in Richmond, Virginia, and Allentown, Pennsylvania. He is undeniably successful as an entertainment purveyor, and to his own musical talent and love of the theatre, coupled with an adhered-to policy of furnishing to the theatre-going public only high class, clean productions, his unusual success must be attributed. He is a member of Easton Board of Trade, the Kiwanis Club, and the Northampton County Country Club, his politics, Republican, and his religious affiliation with Christ Lutheran Church.

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**JAMES E. HAUCK**—Three generations of this family have been intimately connected with Easton's business—William Hauck, of the long ago; Thomas N. Hauck, whose career was cut short at the age of twenty-nine, a traveling salesman; and James E. Hauck, of the present day, a well known electrical contractor, grandfather, father, and son. James E. Hauck is a son of Thomas N. and a grandson of William and Mary C. Hauck. William Hauck was a foundryman and merchant of Easton in the long ago, and operated his foundry in West Easton until it was destroyed by fire, after which he became a provision merchant, dealing in smoked meats. He built up a large business, and as a merchant ranked high. He served as a member of Easton Borough Council, and took an active part in all public affairs. His wife, Mary, was a member of the Moravian church. They were the parents of three sons: Thomas N., James, and Cornelius, also of a daughter, Annie. Thomas N. Hauck was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1856, and there died in 1885, his life just in its beginning. He was a commercial salesman,



first with the Hay Boot and Shoe Company of Easton, and later with Bixler & Correll. He was a man of good business ability, made many friends, and was greatly admired and loyal. He married Jennie Kinsey, daughter of Alonzo William Kinsey, who was born at Newport, Monmouthshire, England, Tuesday, November 25, 1817. He died at Braddock, Pennsylvania, Friday evening, February 12, 1904. He married, January 19, 1841, Cecelia Cobb Jones, born at Denbigh, Denbighshire, North Wales, England, February 17, 1824, died in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, June 29, 1864. On May 21, 1883, he contracted a second marriage with Mrs. Mary E. Dinkey, at Braddock, Pennsylvania. Alonzo W. Kinsey was the son of Josiah and Jane Kinsey. He was reared by his grandparents, William and Elizabeth Aston. Mr. Kinsey was the first chemist employed in the iron industry. This was at the Crane Iron Works, at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, according to an article in the *Iron Age* of February 20, 1902. The article goes on to state that the time was so far back they could not give dates, but it was while Andrew Carnegie was working in Blackstack's factory, at \$1.25 a week, also that Mr. Gayley, vice-president of the United States Steel Corporation, began his career as chemist for the Crane Iron Company as successor to Mr. Kinsey. Mr. Kinsey was also an inventor of ability, cannon and small arms his special field, although he had worked out a plan for a submarine boat. His second wife, Mrs. Dinkey, a widow, had a son, Alvin, later an important steel manufacturer, and one of her daughters became the wife of Charles Schwab, the great steel manufacturer. Mr. Schwab and Mr. Kinsey were often in consultation, the chemist being able to at times give the manufacturer practical ideas which were found to be of value. Thomas N. and Jennie (Kinsey) Hauck were the parents of a family of five children: Thomas, now with the Bethlehem Steel Company, in the artillery department; Harry, now with a shipbuilding company in North Carolina; James E., of further mention; William, now assistant auditor of the Bethlehem Steel Company; Helen, died in infancy. Mrs. Jennie Kinsey Hauck survived her husband, and although young when left a widow with four sons, she used motherly love and tact, keeping her family together, giving them the advantage of a good education, now rejoicing in their success and prosperity, while they "rise up" and called her "blessed."

James E. Hauck was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, September 20, 1882, and until fourteen years of age attended the public schools of the city. He then started out to win the battle of life, and as a beginning spent one year with the Hay Boot & Shoe Company, a firm with which his father had been connected. He was a printer's "devil" for the next three months, then found his life work in the electrical business. He was sixteen years of age when he entered the employ of the Edison Illuminating Company, and after that company went out of business he was successively in the employ of A. W. Leidy, G. Elliott Hill and E. D. Webber, all engaged in some form of electrical work. During the years so passed, the boy had become a man, the novice an expert electrical worker with faith in himself and an ambition which resistlessly impelled him forward. In November, 1904, with a capital of less than one hundred dollars, he started in business for himself. From this small beginning has grown his present large electrical contracting and supply business, located on Bank street, Easton. Ten men are kept employed in electrical work exclusive of store and office force, and in his store a full line of supplies is carried, every need of the user of electricity being there met. He does not shrink from assuming any contract in his line no matter how large, and he has developed high standing among a desirable class of customers.

Mr. Hauck has fairly won the honorable position he occupies among the business men of his native city, and can review his course from boyhood with a great deal of satisfaction. He is a member of Dallas Lodge No. 396,

Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading; the Tall Cedars of Lebanon; Lehigh Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Easton Lodge No. 171, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is highly esteemed by his brethren of these orders, and takes active interest in their work. He is a member also of Easton Rotary Club. In politics he supports the Republican party, and is affiliated with Brainerd-Union Presbyterian Church.

On June 10, 1906, Mr. Hauck married Sadie M. Zulauf, daughter of John H. and Georgianna Zulauf, and they are the parents of two sons: James Kenneth and John Henry. In 1913 Mr. Hauck erected a residence at No. 723 Reeder street, on College Hill, Easton, which is now the family home.

**FRANK JACOB KESSLER, M.D.**—When Dr. Kessler located in Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1895, he brought with him the experience gained during his two years as resident physician and senior assistant surgeon at St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, a position he won from eight aspirants after a severe competitive examination. In his quarter of a century practice in Easton he has won unqualified success, and ranks with the leading physicians and surgeons of the city. He is a son of Thomas Kessler, and a grandson of Philip Kessler, a prosperous Pennsylvania farmer. Thomas Kessler was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, learned the trade of blacksmith in Easton, and there married and lived until 1858. He then moved to Bethlehem, where he opened a blacksmith's shop, which he long and successfully conducted, also a carriage manufacturing business. He married Catherine Eva Roth, born in Whitehall, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Jacob Roth, a farmer. Thomas Kessler died in 1899, and his wife died in December, 1918.

Dr. Frank Jacob Kessler, son of Thomas and Catherine Eva (Roth) Kessler, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, September 12, 1869. He there attended public schools until 1887, when he entered the employ of E. T. Meyers, a Bethlehem druggist. He remained with Mr. Meyers three years, then began the study of medicine under the direction of Dr. A. C. Moyer. In the fall of 1890 he entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated M.D., class of 1893. He then spent two years as resident physician and assistant surgeon in St. Luke's Hospital, gaining valuable experience, as St. Luke's was even then one of the large and finely equipped hospitals of the State. In the spring of 1895 Dr. Kessler located in Easton, where he has been in continuous and successful practice for twenty-five years, 1893-1918. He has a large private clientele in addition to his institutional and corporation practice, and is also examiner for several of the leading life insurance companies. He is a member of the Northampton Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and American Medical Association, his standing among his brethren of these societies being of the highest. Dr. Kessler is a Democrat in politics, served his city four years as a member of the Board of Education and member of the Board of Control. He is a member of Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church, and interested in many of the religious, political, business and charitable organizations of the city. On February 20, 1895, Dr. Kessler married Bertha Atwater, daughter of Ledyard and Adelaide (Paret) Atwater, of Washington, District of Columbia, her father an employee of the United States Treasury Department, and a granddaughter of Bishop William P. Paret, of Baltimore, diocese of Maryland and Washington. Mrs. Kessler is a member of the New Century Club of Easton, is president of the Ladies Auxiliary of Trinity Episcopal Church, and a leader in its charitable work. Dr. and Mrs. Kessler are the parents of five children: Nelson Thomas, now

overseas with the Hospital Corps in the United States Navy, worked up to first-class pharmacist mate, is a graduate of Easton High School, and was at school in State College, Pennsylvania; Emily Atwater, William Harvey, Donald Charles and Milnor Paret.

**EDWIN A. BERKEY** — In early Colonial days Peter Berkey was a high sheriff of Bucks county, Pennsylvania. He married a Miss Snyder from the village, which was the forerunner of the now city of Allentown, and they were the parents of a large family. This is an ancient family name, in German *Berkey* meaning hills, in French *de la Barre*, having the same meaning. Henry Berkey, a grandson of Sheriff Peter Berkey, was born in Northampton county, March 5, 1800, his parents settling in Mount Bethel township, whether upper or lower section not being clear. He married March 13, 1823, Julia Kestor, born June 24, 1803, a sister of Moses Kestor, a well known resident of South Easton. Henry Berkey was a linen weaver and wool carder by occupation, and in his younger years operated a carding mill at Flicksville in Northampton county. Later he engaged in stock raising. Henry and Julia (Kestor) Berkey were the parents of five children: Margaret, married Joseph Garris, and died, aged ninety-one years, a resident of Easton; John, of whom further mention will be made; Levi Henry, who was a gold seeker of the '49 excitement, making the journey to California in 1849, returning to Pennsylvania and again to California, where he died in 1902; Elizabeth, died unmarried; Mary, unmarried, now at the age of eighty-five, a resident at the Old Ladies' Home in Easton.

John, son of Henry Berkey, was born at the Mount Bethel township homestead, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, October 9, 1830, died in Easton, January 27, 1902. He grew up at the home farm, his father's assistant until 1850, when he left home, went to Bethlehem, and there learned the bricklayer's trade. He continued a general mason worker for thirty-five years, then in 1885 retired, residing in Easton until his death at the age of seventy-two. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, and a Republican in politics, serving in Easton Common Council and as ward assessor. He was a member of Easton Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He married Elizabeth Fritz, of Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, born April 30, 1832, and there resided until her marriage. Her father, George Fritz, was a contracting stone mason, and erected many of the stone bridges of Northampton county. His death occurred at Scranton, Pennsylvania, while employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad. She was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, and took an active part in church work. She died November 14, 1906, and both she and her husband were buried in Easton Cemetery. They were the parents of six children: 1. Joseph H., a hotelkeeper at Seipsville, Pennsylvania, Northampton county. He married Alma Messinger. 2. Edwin A., of whom further mention will be made. 3. John F., deceased. 4. Peter, died in 1863, very young. 5. William H., of Easton. 6. Charles Frederick, of Philadelphia, connected with the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company. He married Grace Allen.

Edwin A. Berkey, son of John and Elizabeth (Fritz) Berkey, was born in Easton, in what was then the west ward, now the eighth, October 19, 1860. He was educated in Easton public schools and in the private school taught by Reuben H. Trach. After leaving school he began learning the mason's trade under his father's instruction, and became an expert, succeeding to his father's business and conducting it until 1891. He then entered the service of the United States government as letter carrier in Easton, and until 1903 continued in that position. Failing health then compelled his resignation, and he purchased a farm in Bethlehem township, which he occupied and cultivated until 1913, when he returned to Easton, and for a time was out of business. Later he established in the real estate business, and does a general business in insurance.



A Republican in politics, Mr. Berkey has always taken a deep interest in the affairs of his town. He was a member of the Easton Select Council, one term; in 1915 and 1917 he was the unsuccessful Republican candidate for comptroller of Northampton county, and since 1915 he has been clerk in the office of the board of county commissioners. He is a life member of Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; also a member of Easton Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council No. 20, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh De Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; Lulu Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Philadelphia, having been made a noble in that temple in 1890. On January 19, 1918, he was appointed by Governor Brumbaugh, alderman of the Fifth Ward, Easton, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Berkey married January 16, 1882, Emma R. Reed, daughter of John G. Reed, of Easton, now deceased. Both Mr. and Mrs. Berkey are members of St. John's Lutheran Church. They are the parents of two sons: Luther E., married Pearl Prout, has a daughter, Betty, and resides in New York; Thomas A., married Julia Ellicott, and has a daughter, Gladys, and a son, John Ellicott. They reside in Easton. Mr. Berkey resides at No. 47 South Fourth street, with his office at No. 49 South Fourth street.

**CHARLES FREDERICK AND JOHN KURTZ**—Beyond doubt two of the most enterprising and responsible citizens of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and men whose extraordinary energies have been turned to the good of the community-at-large, are the brothers, Charles F. and John Kurtz, whose entire careers have been identified with this city and whose great successes of the past are but embryos of a series of still greater ones which are to mature in the future. The two brothers joined in Bethlehem, April 10, 1894. Their first venture was in the direction of their present great business. They opened a small plant for the manufacture of furniture at No. 324 South New street, later moving to the corner of Broadhead avenue and Third street. They adopted the motto, "Never say fail," from the first, and they have lived up to this difficult ideal with remarkable consistency. By dint of hard labor, indefatigable patience and intelligent resourcefulness they gradually expanded their business from its small beginnings until at the present time the firm of Kurtz Brothers is recognized as manufacturers of the finest type of interior cabinet woodwork office furniture and fixtures in existence, and their market is country-wide. About 1906 they purchased a piece of land on West Union street, and here erected a much larger plant, complete and modern in every particular. They were forced to do this by the immense increase of their business, which had quite outgrown the original quarters. Since that time the growth has continued, and has in fact even accelerated its speed. Another achievement of the firm, which illustrates the perfect quality of the work, is the manufacture of office furniture and fixtures. The concern employs a large number of workmen, and by liberal and humane treatment of the employees has always maintained a merited friendly relationship with them.

The Kurtz brothers have not by any means confined themselves to the development of their one great business, but like the men of enterprise that they are, they have seized every opportunity offered in connection with the growth of the community of which they are valuable members. One very important venture that has turned out with the usual success of all that they attempt was the purchase of a large tract of land located near their plant, which they improved and developed, and then erected there some eighty-three substantial houses, most of which they have sold. The building operations alone amounted to \$432,000, an investment well made. Another enterprise, although still very new, which promises the same success, is the purchase of two old homesteads situated on East Broad street, and the erection there in 1918 of the Kurtz building, at the cost of \$550,000. This handsome



Charles F. Kurtz









John Kurtz

edifice has a frontage on East Broad street of one hundred and twenty feet, and it is constructed of steel, concrete, granite, brick, terra cotta and glass, while the arch above the entrance of the theatre therein is made up of decorative copper work. There are two entrances or lobbies, east and west, each twenty-one feet wide, the former being that of the theatre and the latter to the other parts of the building. The theatre already referred to is one of the best equipped in this region, and is adapted to the presentation of any type of performance. On the same floor with the theatre are spaces for four stores, while above, occupying the entire second floor, is one of the most up-to-date restaurants in the State. There is one large room accommodating three hundred and fifty persons, measuring fifty-three feet six inches by ninety-six feet, the ceiling being fourteen feet six inches high. Besides, there is a smaller room accommodating one hundred and fifty people, and a number of private party dining-rooms seating twenty-four people each. These rooms are divided by removable partitions, which open the whole into a large room in which five hundred and fifty persons can be seated. There are ladies' and gentlemen's parlors fitted with every modern equipment and convenience known for the comfort and ease of the patrons. The floor on the east side of the dining-room is raised eighteen inches above the general level to accommodate the construction of the theatre on the floor below; and at the same time it makes a suitable place for a speaker or orchestra to be stationed. Mr. Joseph Weiss, formerly of Hotel Astor, New York City, has the management of the restaurant and the building generally. While these undertakings claim much of the brothers' attention, it is still the original manufacturing business to which they devote most of their energies. The plant where their high grade goods are turned out does not consist of one building, but of seven, each devoted to some particular portion of the work; the finishing department being housed in one, the machine department in another, the kiln dry system in a third, while a tire bending and welding plant, a blacksmith shop, and a second machine shop have each separate quarters. In November, 1917, another building was added where boxes and commercial and government auto trucks and wheels are produced to meet the enhanced demand for these articles created by the late war.

Charles Frederick Kurtz was born in Wurtemberg, in the town of Metzingen, August 13, 1872, a son of Carl Frederick and Barbara (Laib) Kurtz, and a grandson of Carl Frederick Kurtz, Sr. The latter was born October 13, 1807, and was a successful manufacturer of woolen goods in that region. His fabrics were all woven on hand looms, and after a prosperous career he lived retired during the later part of his life. His parents continued to live in Metzingen, where Carl Frederick, Jr., was born, October 13, 1837, and it was in that same town that the early life of Charles Frederick Kurtz was spent. He attended the public schools of his native town, and immediately after graduating, at the age of seventeen years, came to the United States. Since that time he has identified himself completely with the life and ideals of his adopted land, and has become one of the most highly trusted and esteemed citizens of the Bethlehems. It was at South Bethlehem that he first made his home, securing employment with W. H. Lehr, of East Broad street, and remaining with him for eleven months. For two and one-half years following he worked for the concern of Fichter & Martin. He went to the city of Paterson, New Jersey, in 1892, and resided there for two years. In 1894 he returned to Bethlehem, and that break of two years is the only one that he has made in his residence in this place since coming to America. On April 10, 1894, Charles Frederick Kurtz became associated with his brother, John Kurtz, and from that time to the present they have remained inseparable, whatever has been undertaken by the one has been undertaken by the other as a single enterprise.

In addition to his business activities, Charles F. Kurtz is prominent in



social and fraternal circles of the city, and is a member of a number of organizations here. He is affiliated with Bethlehem Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Knights of Pythias of this city. He is also a member of Bethlehem Club, the Rotary Club, and the City Planning Commission. He is a director of the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company. He is very fond of nature and outdoor life, but the great demands upon his time make it impossible for him to enjoy these things as much as he should like to do. He does find time, however, for the cultivation of his splendid rose beds, and he enjoys, also, occasional trips in his motor car which he himself drives. He is very fond of music, but has not the time for any adequate development of the art. Indeed, he is quoted as saying that "it appears that my hobby really is work and nothing else," and this is to a great extent true, although with his broad mind and ready sympathies, he keeps up his interest in all departments of life.

Charles F. Kurtz married, September 28, 1908, Anna P. Walter, of Boston, Massachusetts, a daughter of Mrs. Matilda Walter, of that city. They have an adopted son, Richard Wagner, born April 15, 1912. The family are all members of the Lutheran church, and Mr. Kurtz is a trustee of St. Luke's Hospital at Bethlehem. In noting the rapid rise to prominence of some of the leaders of men, it often seems that such achievement was the result of powers above the normal, as we are acquainted with humanity in the average man, so easily, apparently, are obstacles overcome, and so completely does every factor seem to bend itself to the fore-ordained event. In the majority of cases, however, such appearances are entirely deceptive and the brilliant result is the outcome of efforts as unremitting and arduous as any within our experience. Such in a large measure is true in the case of Charles F. Kurtz, whose name heads this brief appreciation, and whose reputation for success gained without the compromise of the highest ideals of honor and justice is second to none in this region. His rise to wealth and influence has doubtless been rapid, but it is the outcome of conscientious labor and consistent effort, labor and effort which in the early stages of his career doubtless felt discouragement such as we all feel at times. If this were not so, it would not be possible to explain the broad tolerance, the kindly human sympathy and understanding which he has displayed in all his intercourse with his fellowmen. However this may be, it is a well known fact to all who are fortunate in being able to claim his friendship, that as a man, Charles F. Kurtz possesses all the fundamental virtues, that he lives up to the best standard of ethics in all the relations of his life, that he is a conscientious worker, a public-spirited citizen, a devoted husband, and a faithful and loyal friend.

John Kurtz was born May 21, 1874, in Metzingen, Wurtemberg, Germany. He attended the public schools there for eight years, and took a three years' technical training in the night schools, taking courses in drafting and designing. At the age of fourteen years, he entered upon an apprenticeship to the cabinet maker's trade, after which he went to Switzerland and later to Vienna and other Austrian cities, visiting also various other European countries while working at his trade, and at the same time observing the ways of the world. Thus he prepared himself to carry out a plan made by himself and his brother, Charles F., when they were but small boys, to come to America. As boys they had looked over factories and said, "We will have one like that of our own some day." Building a town was also one of their boyhood dreams. A perusal of the story of their successes in the former venture, and the fact that while they have not built a town but a very substantial section of a large city proves again that fact is sometimes stranger than fiction. In September, 1893, John Kurtz sailed for America and arrived in South Bethlehem, October 1. In association with

his brother he immediately set about plans to engage in business, and on April 10, 1894, the firm of Kurtz Brothers began in a small way. On April 10, 1919, was the twenty-fifth anniversary of one of the county's first manufacturing organizations, and also a quarter of a century of valuable citizenship represented in Charles F. and John Kurtz. John Kurtz is a member of the Masonic Order, Zinzendorf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bethlehem Council, No. 36, Royal and Select Masters; Bethlehem Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple of Reading; Knights of Pythias; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Protective and Benevolent Order of Elks, No. 190. He is a member also of the Bethlehem Club, of this city. In affairs of national importance, he is a Republican, but in local politics he is independent, preferring to support men and issues most worthy and best suited to the development of his adopted city. Like his brother, Charles F., he is a member of the Lutheran church.

John Kurtz married, April 30, 1898, Anna Schreib, a native of North Germany. She came to America when a child of five years of age, and was educated and grew to womanhood in the city of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. John Kurtz is fond of the great world of out-of-doors, and enjoys especially vacations of motorings. Hard work, thorough technical training, honest dealing and a policy of delivering a little better work than the strict terms of the contract demanded have been responsible for the building up of the great business of Charles F. and John Kurtz, and the establishment of its greatest single asset, "good will."

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**MARVIN LE GRANDE FRITCHMAN** Marvin Le Grande Fritchman, a prominent business man and influential citizen of Freemansburg, Pennsylvania, is a native of the town of South Bethlehem, in this State, where his birth occurred December 29, 1891. He is a member of a family which has resided in this State for a number of generations, his great-great-grandfather having been a native of Germany, and a pioneer settler of Pennsylvania.

This immigrant ancestor came to America before the Revolution, and his son, William Fritchman, was instrumental in the construction of the Lehigh canal, and became its first superintendent. His son, Peter Fritchman, the grandfather of the Mr. Fritchman of this sketch, lived in this region, and after completing a course in the high school was himself a teacher in the public educational institutions for a number of years. He afterwards became a clerk in a mercantile line of business, and eventually went into business for himself as a contractor. He erected several large bridges for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and put up the Northampton county prison at Easton.

William Bion Fritchman, son of Peter Fritchman, and father of Marvin Le Grande Fritchman, is a prominent citizen of this community, and at present serving his second term as postmaster of Freemansburg, under the Wilson administration. He also served during the two administrations of Grover Cleveland, and has been very prominent in local affairs. He is a member of the Town Council and has served on the School Board and in several other capacities at various times. He is a staunch Democrat in politics, and is one of the leaders of his party hereabouts. William Bion Fritchman has been twice married, the first time to Belle F. Snyder, a daughter of Mrs. Anna M. Snyder, of this place, by whom he had the following children: Calanthe L., Paul A., and W. Bion, Jr. He married (second) Millie N. A. Ochs, a daughter of Tighlman Ochs, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, by whom he had the following children: Marvin Le Grande, with whose career we are here especially concerned, Emily Margaret, Leon A., and Harold D.

Marvin Le Grande Fritchman passed but the first few years of his life

at South Bethlehem, where he was born, his family then removing to Freemansburg, which place has since remained his home. It was here that he attended the public schools, graduating from the Freemansburg High School with the class of 1906. He completed his schooling at the Allentown Preparatory School in 1908, and in the fall of that year entered Lehigh University, where he took up the courses in chemistry. In 1910 Mr. Fritchman accepted a position in the office of the Bethlehem Steel Company, but left this place a little later to take up the duties of assistant chemist with the Pennsylvania Cement Company, of Bath, Pennsylvania. Unfortunately, however, his health failed at about this time and he was compelled to resign. With the intention of finding some work which would keep him more in the open air, Mr. Fritchman, shortly after his resignation, entered the office of the Globe Publishing Company of Bethlehem, as a reporter, and served that concern in this capacity for about seven years. His health having been practically restored in that time, he became associated with the Bethlehem Steel Company and is at present serving that concern in charge of the drop forging order department. For a young man of his age, Mr. Fritchman has already made a very considerable position for himself, not only with the company that he is directly connected with, but in the business circles of Bethlehem and Freemansburg, and is regarded in both places as a very progressive and capable business man. Mr. Fritchman has always taken a lively interest in politics, and has played no small part in public affairs, having served in several local offices here. For two years he served as borough auditor, and is now holding his third term on the county committee of the Democratic party. In 1915 he was elected justice of the peace by the citizens of Freemansburg. Like his father he is a staunch Democrat, and ardently devoted to the principles and policies of his party. He is also a well known member of several orders and similar organizations here, and is affiliated especially with the Masonic order and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Fritchman is a Lutheran in his religious belief, and has for many years been a member of Christ Church of this denomination at Freemansburg.

Marvin Le Grande Fritchman was united in marriage, January 27, 1916, at Philadelphia, with Maude E. Getter, a daughter of Irvin and Elizabeth (Herger) Getter, old and highly respected residents of this place. Mr. and Mrs. Fritchman are the parents of one child, Marvin Le Grande, Jr., born January 29, 1917.

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**GEORGE CHASE MACAN**—Nearly a century ago George C. Macan left his home in Scotland and came to the United States, finding a home in Wilmington, Delaware, where his descendant, George Chase Macan, of Easton, was born, son of William Alexander Macan, also born in Wilmington. During the greater part of his life William A. Macan was engaged as a distributor of a pipe covering material, and now is vice-president of the Ehret Magnesia Manufacturing Company, of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. He married Katurah Turner, and they were the parents of George C. Macan.

George C. Macan was born November 1, 1877, and was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia, Swarthmore Preparatory School, and at Drexel Institute in the same city. He began business life as a clerk with A. P. Swayer & Company, of Philadelphia, later became a salesman, and was so engaged until 1896 when he located in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and there started the machinery and supply business under the firm name, Macan, Jr., & Huntington. That business he successfully conducted in Wilkes-Barre until 1902, when he sold out and came to Easton, Pennsylvania, here establishing in the mill supply business under the firm name, Macan, Jr., Company, and in 1907 incorporated his business as The Macan Jr. Company, of which he is president and manager. The business of the company







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is one aggregating one half million dollars annually, and is principally mill and electrical supplies, machinery and electrical construction work. Mr. Macan has grown with his business, and is one of the strong men of the city from both a manufacturing and business standpoint. He is highly regarded in the trade, highly esteemed socially, and is a patriotic, progressive citizen. He is a member of the Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, Easton Board of Trade, the Rotary Club, Lodge, Chapter, Council and Consistory of the Masonic order, the Shrine of Reading, Sons of Delaware, College Hill Presbyterian Church, and is a Republican in political faith.

Mr. Macan married (first) 1903, Ruth Ellen Struthers, of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, daughter of Cameron and Ruth (Barnes) Struthers. Mrs. Macan died in 1912, leaving a son, Cameron Alexander. Mr. Macan married (second) June, 1914, Helen Worman Arny, daughter of Louis W. and Linette (Worman) Arny, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, her father a prominent leather manufacturer of Philadelphia. Mrs. Macan is a graduate of Bryn Mawr College, is interested in Red Cross and social work, and is treasurer of the Inter-Collegiate Association. She served for a time on the faculty of St. Timothy School, Catonsville, Maryland. Mr. and Mrs. Macan are the parents of a daughter, Linette Arny.

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**EDWIN E. EICHLIN** As an optometrist, Mr. Eichlin has taken rank with the rising young business men of Easton, a city of which he is a native son. His family has long been seated in Pennsylvania, his father, Charles E. Eichlin, having been born on his father's farm in Forks township, a son of Henry Eichlin, also born in Northampton county. Charles E. Eichlin married Ella Serfoss, daughter of Peter Serfoss, also of an old county family.

Edwin E. Eichlin was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1884. He attended the public schools of Palmer township, later completed a course of study at Wood's Business College of Easton, and then entered Philadelphia Optometrical College, whence he was graduated, class of 1905. For two and a half years after graduation he practiced his profession in Newport, Kentucky, then returned to Easton, where he is now well established and rated among the leaders of the profession in that city. He takes an active part in civic affairs, is a member of Easton Board of Trade; Easton Rotary Club; Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council No. 20; Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Accepted Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Lehigh Valley Optical Society, Pennsylvania State Optical and the American Optical societies. He is also affiliated with the Knights of Pythias, the Young Men's Christian Association, is a Republican in politics, and a communicant of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Mr. Eichlin married, October 20, 1914, Margaret Walters, daughter of Jacob and Emma (Ricker) Walters, of Easton. Mrs. Eichlin is an accomplished vocalist and active in church work, also social and charitable work. They are the parents of a son, Edwin E., Jr.

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**HARRY C. FISLER, M.D.**—A native son of Easton, where he has risen to honorable position as a physician and surgeon, Dr. Fisler traces descent from Swedish ancestors, who settled in what became known as Fislerville, but is now Clayton, Gloucester county, New Jersey, where some of the name yet reside. There his father, Samuel L. Fisler, was born, he whose name is a cherished memory in Easton, more particularly in Lafayette College circles, for from 1869 until his resignation in 1907, Samuel Fisler was the faithful secretary-treasurer of the college, which was also his *alma mater*. The debt Lafayette owes Mr. Fisler is a great and lasting one, for as superintendent of grounds and buildings from 1869, he was in charge of

laying out and beautifying the college campus, and under him Pardee Hall was built and later rebuilt after the fire of 1879. Most of the college buildings were erected under his supervision.

Samuel L. Fisler was born in Clayton, Gloucester county, New Jersey, in 1836, one of a family of three. He prepared for college at the Edgehill School, and at Academia, both in the State of New Jersey, and in each of which he was an assistant teacher. He graduated with the honorary oration, A.M., Lafayette, class of 1861, and from that year until 1865 he taught school at Towanda, Pennsylvania. Failing health then compelled him to abandon plans for a professional life, and from 1865 to 1869 he was superintendent of lumber manufacturing at Bear Creek, Pennsylvania. In 1869 he was appointed superintendent of grounds and buildings at Lafayette College, and in 1873 was elected treasurer. He held that office until resigning in 1907, a year prior to his death. He was an influential Republican, an eloquent and effective campaign orator, and for many years was the usual presiding officer at important political meetings in Easton. He served for one term as postmaster of Easton, appointed under President Benjamin Harrison's administration. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and for many years was superintendent of the Sunday school. He was the first president of the Easton Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Fisler married Emily, daughter of John Stewart, that branch of the Stewart family of Easton being written at length in this work. Samuel L. and Emily (Stewart) Fisler were the parents of three children: Laura, died at the age of nine years; Harry C., of further mention; and Frank, died in infancy.

Harry C. Fisler was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, May 8, 1873. He is a graduate of Easton Academy, class of 1888; Lafayette College, A.B., class of 1892, and of the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, M.D., class of 1895. He spent three years, 1895-98, in practice at Merchantville, New Jersey, then located in Easton, where he is well established in the confidence and loyal esteem of a large clientele. He specializes in diseases of children, but conducts a general practice as well. He is a member of the medical staff of Easton Hospital, surgeon to the Northampton Traction Company, and the B. & H. Simon Silk Company, and is affiliated with his professional brethren in membership in the Northampton County Medical, Easton Medical, Lehigh Valley Medical, Pennsylvania State Medical societies, and is a member of the American Medical Association. His clubs are the Pomfret and Northampton County Country. His college fraternity is Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Dr. Fisler married, October 28, 1896, Hattie Mann, born in Easton, daughter of Levi H. and Lenora (Kern) Mann. Dr. and Mrs. Fisler are the parents of three daughters: Emily Stewart, Helen M., and Kathryn Elizabeth. The family are attendants of Olivet Presbyterian Church, Dr. Fisler serving as elder. While in college, Dr. Fisler took a deep interest in athletics and excelled in track team work. He made the college track team, and at a one hundred yards sprint to half a mile run was invincible. His present recreations are less strenuous, tennis and trap shooting being his favorites.

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**EDWIN H. STEINMETZ**—The Steinmetz family is of German origin, many generations, however, having been native to Northampton county, Pennsylvania. George Steinmetz was a farmer of Moore township, in that county, a Lutheran in religion, and a Whig in politics. He married Christina Leight, and has sons: Samuel, of whom further; Solomon, George, Aaron, Joseph William; also daughters: Christina, May, Sarah, Lydia, and Sophia.

Samuel Steinmetz, the eldest son of George and Christina (Leight) Steinmetz, was the father of James and grandfather of Edwin H. Steinmetz,

both of Bangor, Pennsylvania, the father there establishing the bakery which is now owned and operated by the son. Samuel Steinmetz was born near Cherry Hill, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and spent his life in that section of the county. He married and had children: Gideon, of Colorado; William; James; Edwin, of further mention; Elizabeth, married Samuel Henner; Fietta, married Henry Clewell.

James Steinmetz was born, in 1844, in Bushkill township, Northampton county, died in Bangor, Pennsylvania, in 1909. He spent his youth and early manhood in Bushkill township, engaged as a farmer there, and later operated a grist mill for some years at Aluta, Pennsylvania. In 1888 he located in Bangor, and established a bakery which he successfully managed until the end of his life, twenty-one years later. He was a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; a Republican in politics, serving as school director and tax assessor. He married Sarah Drumheller, daughter of Philip and Lydia (Burgur) Drumheller. They were the parents of seven children: Wilson, Oliver, deceased; Edwin H., of whom further; Howard L. of Bangor; Alice, married Elmer Breidinger; Sybilla, married (first) Ayres Lomirou, (second) W. S. Smith, of Bangor; and Sarah, married Walter Stocher.

Edwin H. Steinmetz was born in Bushkill township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, January 12, 1870, and was educated in the public school. Early in life he began learning the baker's trade with Richard S. Shaffer of Bath, Pennsylvania, and there remained until his father opened his bakery in Bangor, in 1888. He then went into the Bangor bakery and continued in that business until about 1904, when he formed a partnership with Jacob Friedman, and under the firm name, Friedman & Steinmetz, conducted a clothing business for four years, a disastrous fire then sweeping their business away. In 1907, upon the death of his father, the son succeeded him in the bakery, and has since continued the business founded in Bangor, thirty years ago, 1888-1918. The original plant has been greatly enlarged, and in connection with the baking department Mr. Steinmetz has one of the finest stores in Bangor. In 1917 the Never Break Products Company was formed, Mr. Steinmetz being the prime mover, and they manufacture the steel emergency brakes for automobiles; the output is found to be a valuable accessory to the automobile world. He is a director of the Bangor Trust Company; member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Knights of Malta, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Steinmetz married Ida Faulstick, daughter of Samuel and Hester (Gowen) Faulstick. They are the parents of two children: Lulu M., married Matthew Walsh; and Roscoe Lester, who enlisted December 12, 1917, and was in the service of his country overseas with Three Hundred and Seventy-fifth Aerial Squadron; mustered out June 21, 1919, and is now assisting his father in the business.

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**EDWARD LESLIE KNAUSS**—This descendant of one of the oldest of Northampton's families traces his descent from Ludwig Knauss, who came from Titelheim, Wetterair, in the Palatinate, in 1723, and settled first at Whitemarsh, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, later with his sons, Sebastian H. and Johannes Heinrich Knauss, he located at Emmaus, founded by the Moravians in 1732. Ludwig Knauss married, in Germany, Anna Margaret Gorlach, and raised a large family.

(II) Their son, Sebastian Heinrich Knauss, born in the Palatinate, near Manheim, Germany, October 6, 1714, came with his parents to Pennsylvania in 1723. He married, January 1, 1741, Anna C. Transue, who came from the same district in Germany in 1730. He was a farmer and wheelwright, learning his trade under Henry Autes in Montgomery county, and through him becoming familiar with the Moravians and their work. Soon after 1741,



when the Moravian missionaries were making converts to their faith in various parts of Pennsylvania, he became deeply impressed, and later in life left the Reformed church and joined what was then known as the Society of the Brethren. He was one of the founders of Emmaus in 1741, and of a church there, and with others walked from Emmaus to Bethlehem, over the Indian trail and there established a separate church. He and Jacob Ehrenhard formally donated one hundred and two acres of land for the building thereon of a Moravian village, this including a site for church and school. The village was surveyed and laid out in 1757, and in 1761 officially received its name Emmaus, which has since become Emaus. He was a steward of the church at Emaus until his death, February 26, 1777. His wife, a daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth (Munster) Transue, died in Emaus, June 26, 1799. Sebastian H. and Anna C. (Transue) Knauss were the parents of thirteen children, all of whom were married at the time of the death of Mrs. Anna C. (Transue) Knauss, June 26, 1799. They had ninety-one grandchildren born, of whom seventy-three were living, and thirty-six great-grandchildren had been born to her, all but four of whom were living. It is impossible to follow the lines of these thirteen children, but the eighth child, Jacob Knauss, was undoubtedly the great-grandfather of Edward Leslie Knauss, of Easton.

(III) Jacob Knauss was born June 26, 1757. He was a farmer. He married Rosina Corr.

(IV) Harrison Knauss, grandfather of Edward Leslie Knauss, of Easton, was born about the year 1790, in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. About 1847 he located at Bath, Northampton county, as a retired farmer, he having owned and cultivated a farm at Cherryville, Northampton county. He died at the great age of ninety-eight years. For thirty years preceding his death he sat in total darkness, but one week prior to his death his sight was restored and he again looked upon the faces of loved ones who had passed from his view thirty years before, he having been totally blind for that period. He was a member of the Reformed church. He married a Miss Russell, of English parentage, and they were the parents of four children: Harrison, of further mention; John, who settled in the West; Benjamin, who also settled in the West; George, a widely known inventor and investigator, and expert mechanic, operating a mechanical laboratory at Rittersville.

(V) Harrison (2) Knauss, eldest son of Harrison (1) and (Russell) Knauss, was born at the home farm in Cherryville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, about the year 1832, and there spent the first fifteen years of his life. In 1847 his parents moved to Bath, in the same county, and there he learned the machinist's trade, and later, as a member of the firm of Smock & Knauss, he engaged in business at Bath, dealing in agricultural implements and kindred lines until 1899. He then sold his interest to his partner and moved to Easton, where he spent the last six years of his life in retirement, dying in 1905. He was a member of the Reformed church, and in politics a Republican. He is buried at Bath, which had been his home all his active years, 1847-99. Harrison Knauss married Harriet Sherman, daughter of Charles Sherman.

(VI) Edward Leslie Knauss, son of Harrison (2) and Harriet (Sherman) Knauss, was born at Bath, Pennsylvania, August 3, 1861. He was educated in Bath public schools, primary, grammar and high, and at Lafayette College, where he completed the freshman year. He then spent several years at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, with a Mr. Gurnet, a merchant tailor, and after becoming thoroughly familiar with that business located in Easton, where with John Heil as a partner he opened a merchant tailoring establishment. Their shops were in what is now the Studio for two years, when the firm dissolved, Mr. Knauss purchasing the entire interest. For twenty-eight years he continued in business as a merchant tailor, then in 1914 sold

out, and for two years was not actively engaged in any business, giving himself well earned relaxation. He then accepted his present position, traveling salesman for the Mobile Oil Company of Philadelphia. Mr. Knauss is a Republican in politics, a member of Third Street Reformed Church; Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; the Commandery, Knights Templar; the Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He was a charter member of the Lodge of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in all these bodies retains a lively interest.

Mr. Knauss married, in Bath, Eleanor Jane Batholomew, born in Easton, May 15, 1861, daughter of William and Jane (Stuart) Batholomew. Mr. and Mrs. Knauss are the parents of a son, Stuart Russell, born in Bath, Pennsylvania, June 26, 1884. He was a student at Nazareth Hall, Military Academy, Easton Academy, Lerch's Preparatory School, later under Professor Charles Lerch, then entered Lafayette College. In 1909 he entered the Art Students League of New York City, spending one year as an art student, then returning to Easton, where for five years he was engaged as a draughtsman with Williams Michler, architect. He then was with the engineering corps of the Lehigh Valley Railroad for eighteen months, after which he associated himself with the Cameron Pump Works, New York City, as marine pump draughtsman, a position he is now most satisfactorily filling.

**GEORGE H. WISE**—From an early period in the development of the Lehigh Valley, ancestors of George H. Wise, of Bangor, Pennsylvania, have been identified with the development of that section, particularly active in the lumber business. The first representative of the family in Northampton county was John Weiss, who moved from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at an early date, the German ancestor, Weiss, now anglicised as Wise, there settling upon his first coming. John Weiss owned a small farm between Portland and the Delaware Water Gap, the exact location being known as Slateford. In addition to cultivating his farm, he engaged in boating, and rafting lumber on the Delaware river. He there lived a quiet, peaceful life, and had been greatly respected in his community. He married a Miss LeBar, of French parentage, and they were the parents of a large family, including sons: Charles, Reuben, Jesse, David, Micajah, and George H., who is the grandfather of George H. Wise.

George H. Weiss, son of John Weiss, was born near Portland, Pennsylvania, and there educated in the public schools. He early became a lumberman, and finally engaged in business for himself, conducting for many years a lumber business of large proportions. He made Portland his headquarters, and there built a large saw mill and converted into lumber the logs cut in the northern part of the State and in New York, which were rafted to his mill on the waters of the Delaware. After the plentiful supply of timber began to diminish, Mr. Wise engaged in the lime business, establishing kilns at Portland, and becoming a large dealer. He prospered in both enterprises, and was one of the influential and substantial men of his town. He took active part in public affairs, and for a term was Burgess of Portland. He married Susan Yetter, and they were the parents of a large family, including sons: Joseph H., of Portland, Pennsylvania; Lewis Reuben, also of Portland, Pennsylvania; Hiram, a real estate dealer in Easton; Frank S., of whom further; Clark C., of Bangor; also daughters: Rosanna, Alice, and Hannah; these children all marrying.

Frank S. Wise, son of George H. and Susan (Yetter) Wise, was born in Portland, Pennsylvania, February 3, 1862, and there attended the public schools. When school years were over he at once became associated with his father in the lumber business, beginning in the saw mill at Portland. He remained in Portland with his father until 1884, then moved to Bangor, where

he soon afterward, in connection with his brothers, Clark C. and Joseph, formed a partnership and invested in a 5,000 acre tract of timber land located in Clearfield county, Pennsylvania; a devastating forest fire swept their tract, causing a severe loss to the brothers, which they estimated at \$40,000. Previously, in 1881, three of these brothers, Reuben, Joseph and Hiram, had opened a lumber yard in Bangor, Pennsylvania, under the firm name, Wise Brothers. That business, in 1886, had been acquired by Clark C. Wise, who conducted it alone until 1890, adding to the lumber yard a planing mill. After the fire, which put him temporarily out of business, Frank S. Wise joined his brother, Clark C., in Bangor, and in 1891 was admitted to a partnership in the business, both lumber yard and planing mill. They jointly conducted the business in Bangor until 1901, when Frank S. purchased his brother's interest and became sole owner. The planing mill had been destroyed by fire the previous year, causing a severe loss, and in 1902 Mr. Wise replaced this loss with a modern planing mill, equipped with the newest and best working machinery. He still continues a successful lumber and planing mill business, and in addition to the Bangor plant has lumber interests in Tioga county, Pennsylvania, and in West Virginia. His entire life from boyhood has been given to the lumber business, and while he has perhaps met with more than his due share of misfortune from the fire fiend, not only calm, cool judgment was necessary, but courage and fortitude of the highest order were required in such times of financial stress and storm. But trials of his mettle but developed that strong, reliant business man, and he won substantial success. Frank S. Wise married, in 1881, Clara A. Snyder, born in Bangor, Pennsylvania, daughter of Jacob A. and Rebecca (Albert) Snyder, the Snyders an old county family. Mr. and Mrs. Wise are the parents of twelve children: George H., of further mention; Samuel J., Sadie M., married George Pritchard, of Bangor; Fred F., Margaret E., Mildred, Grace, deceased; Helen, deceased; Frank S. (2), Ronald S., Clare, and Barbara.

George H. Wise, eldest son of Frank S. and Clara A. (Snyder) Wise, and grandson of George H. Wise, was born in Bangor, Pennsylvania, February 18, 1881. After public school courses in Bangor, and a special course in Pierce's Business College, of Philadelphia, he began business life under his father's direction in his Bangor lumber business. He continued in that line for several years, acquiring familiarity with mercantile and financial methods, this experience gained under so capable an instructor freely equipping him for the place in the business life of his town which he was destined to fill. In 1906 he saw the benefit that would be derived from the establishment of an additional financial institution to the general business interest of the community, and that year effected the organization of the Bangor Trust Company, in association with George M. Slack, A. A. Seem and William H. Smith. Mr. Wise was elected treasurer of the company, and most ably fills that position. He is also secretary of the Bangor Silk Knitting Company, and treasurer of the Bangor Electric Company.

In politics Mr. Wise is a Republican, takes a deep interest in public affairs, and bears his share of civic burdens. He has served Bangor as auditor, and school director, his present position being that of borough treasurer. He is a member of the Masonic order, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, one of the founders of the last named order, and in 1908 was a member of the building committee in charge of the construction of the Elks Home.

Mr. Wise married Ada Mosser, daughter of Alfred W. and Catharine Mosser; and they are the parents of three children: Thelma, Naida, and Frank. The family home is at Bangor, Pennsylvania.

**ORVILLE DEWEY AYERS**—When a young man, just past his majority, Orville D. Ayers entered the employ of Losey & Company, and



*C. D. Myers*





although more than thirty years have since elapsed, the connection still exists. The firm has become the corporation, and the salesman of 1887 has since 1904 been its executive head. Losey & Company, Incorporated, is one of the largest heavy hardware, machine and machine tools and mill supply houses in the Easton section, and supplies an army of customers.

Mr. Ayers is a descendant of David Ayers, of Scotch descent, who owned a section of land near Richmond in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, which he cleared and upon which he built a house that was much finer and more modern than any other in that section. That house has never been owned outside the family, and so well was it built that it is yet used as a residence by a descendant of the builder. David Ayers also built and operated a mill in these early days, and continued its operation as long as he lived, then was succeeded by his son, Moses Ayers, and he by his son, David (2) Ayers, he by his son, David (3) Ayers, and he by his son, David Brinton Ayers, owner and proprietor of the Belvidere Mills.

(I) David Ayers, the founder, was a devout Presbyterian, a justice of the peace for Lower Mt. Bethel township, and a man highly regarded for his sterling character and sound common sense. David Ayers had two sons, David and Moses, the former going West and Moses remaining at the farm in Mt. Bethel.

(II) Moses Ayers, son of David Ayers, inherited the homestead, operated the mill, and being a shrewd, practical man of business, prospered abundantly, and was held in high regard. He was a devoted Presbyterian, like his father, and worthily filled his place in church and town. Moses Ayers married a Miss Britton, and they were the parents of five sons and four daughters: Levi, who went West; David (2), of further mention; Nathaniel; Moses, who inherited about one hundred acres of his grandfather's original farm; Rev. Samuel, a minister of the Presbyterian church; Jane, Betsey, Peggy and Sarah.

(III) David (2) Ayers, son of Moses Ayers, was born at the homestead about the year 1810, and always lived in that locality. He continued the old mill in commission, married, and passed his years in usefulness, being succeeded by his son, Robert Britton, of further mention.

(IV) Robert Britton Ayers, son of David (2) Ayers, became a miller and mill owner, operating the Belvidere Mills in the days when Durham boats on the Delaware formed the chief means of freight transportation between the Forks of the Delaware and Philadelphia. He, in company with a Mr. Borton, built a section of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad between Manunka Chunk and Delaware bridge, but after its completion returned to the milling business. He owned mills at Harmony and Carpenterville, New Jersey, and in the last named village was living at the time of his death. He married Louisa Bainbridge Pierson, daughter of Charles and Margaret (Cline) Pierson. They were the parents of two daughters, both deceased, and of two sons, Charles Pierson, who is of extended mention in this work, and Orville Dewey, of further mention.

(V) Orville Dewey Ayers, youngest son of Robert Britton and Louisa Bainbridge (Pierson) Ayers, was born in Harmony, N. J., December 3, 1865. He obtained a public school education in the public schools of Carpenterville and Easton night school, finishing with a commercial course at Easton Business College. In 1887 he entered the employ of Losey & Company, dealers in heavy hardware, machinery and mill supplies, as a salesman, so continuing several years, and in the year 1900 the business was incorporated as Losey & Company, Mr. Ayers being chosen vice-president. He was elected president in 1904, and has since been the capable chief executive of the company. He is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, a member of lodge, chapter, council and commandery of the York Rite of Free Masonry, a Noble of Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, is also an

Odd Fellow and an Elk, a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, an attendant of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, and in politics a Republican.

Mr. Ayers married, June 15, 1898, Anna A. Pearson, daughter of Birge and Anna M. (Weaver) Pearson, of Easton. Mrs. Ayers is active in civic and church affairs, and was one of the city's most active women workers in the various war activities. Mr. and Mrs. Ayers are the parents of a son, Donald Pearson, born March 2, 1904, a high school student, class of 1922.

Mr. Ayers is one of the substantial, progressive men of his city, deeply interested in civic and educational affairs. He has now served four years on Easton's Board of Education, member of the executive committee of buildings and grounds, and has given the closest attention to his duties. Fond of out-of-door recreations, hunting and fishing, he indulges his tastes at the preserves of the Maskenozha Fishing and Gun Club, of which he is a member.

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**ELVIN A. WOLFE**—Elvin A. Wolfe, vice-president, in charge of the Penn-Allen Cement Company, of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, and one of the most prominent figures in industrial life of this region, is a native of the town of Coplay, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where his birth occurred May 4, 1875. Mr. Wolfe is a son of Amos and Eliza (Leh) Wolfe, and is a member of one of the oldest pioneer families here. Mr. Wolfe's maternal grandfather was of Scotch-Irish ancestry and himself born in the North of Ireland, and he was one of the original emigrants from that part of the world that settled in Northampton county and his sons Amos, the father of the Mr. Wolfe of this sketch, and Jacob, and several other people became interested in coal mining here. The old homestead of the family came into the possession of one of the sons of Amos Wolfe, who, however, later disposed of it, so that it is no longer owned by the family.

Amos Wolfe, the father of Elvin A. Wolfe, was engaged in the operation of farming and was also employed by the Coplay Iron Company at Coplay, where for years he held the position of foreman. His death occurred at that place at the age of sixty-four. He married Eliza Leh, a daughter of Abram Leh, who owned the site of the old Bonniwell Cement Company and for many years operated a grist mill there. Mrs. Amos Wolfe survives her husband and now resides at Nazareth, at the age of eighty-six years. Amos Wolfe and his wife were the parents of eight children, five of whom survive, as follows: James, who is now employed in a machine foundry at Allentown; Oscar, who is connected with the Bethlehem Steel Company at South Bethlehem; Hervey, who is employed as the general foreman of the Penn-Allen Cement Company plant at Nazareth; Alfred, who is the owner of a hotel and meat market at South Bethlehem; and Elvin A., with whose career we are here especially concerned.

Elvin A. Wolfe obtained the elementary portion of his education at the Coplay public schools and was graduated from the high school there in 1891. He then took a business course at a business school at Allentown, and after completing this, entered the office of Judge Harvey at Allentown, where he commenced reading law. Mr. Wolfe, however, soon came to the conclusion that he was more interested in the business and industrial life, and accordingly gave up the study of that profession and secured a position with the Coplay Cement Company and began work in that mill in the month of April, 1893. For five years he remained with the concern and then from 1898 to 1901 he was associated with the American Mill, which was owned by a company employed in the same work. From 1901 to 1907 he worked with the Whitehall Cement Mill at Cementon, and rose to a high position there. Although he had begun in a comparatively humble capacity, Mr. Wolfe had demonstrated his value to his employers from the outset, and had

risen from the position of burner to that of foreman, then general foreman and finally assistant superintendent of the Whitehall plant. It was in 1907 that the Penn-Allen Cement Company offered him the post of superintendent in their large works at Nazareth, which he accepted at once, and he has remained associated with this concern ever since. At the death of Mr. Yeager, vice-president of the concern, Mr. Wolfe was chosen to succeed him and has continued in charge of the plant under that title. It has been due in a large measure to his grasp of practical affairs and his talents as an organizer that the company, during his management of it, has increased to double its former capacity and now employs about one hundred and ninety men in turning out its products. The mill has also been practically rebuilt and is now equipped entirely with an electric power plant, so that it is a completely modern and up-to-date establishment. The farm in connection with the cement plant is also operated by this company, which owns all the stock and employs an experienced overseer to superintend the work there. Mr. Wolfe is now justly regarded as one of the most capable business men in this community and enjoys the highest esteem and regard of all his fellow-citizens who know him and admire him for the high standard of business ethics which he maintains in all his relations. In addition to his business activities, Mr. Wolfe is keenly and actively interested in the general life of Nazareth and is a particularly prominent figure in fraternal circles here. He is very conspicuous in the Masonic order and has taken the thirty-second degree in Free Masonry, and is a member of Chapman Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Easton Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; the Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and Caldwell Consistory, Sovereign Princes of the Royal Secret. Mr. Wolfe is a Republican in politics, but is quite unambitious for political preferment of any kind.

Elvin A. Wolfe was united in marriage June 29, 1897, to Ella N. Spangler, a daughter of George and Rebecca (Shafer) Spangler, old and highly respected residents of Northampton county, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe are the parents of two children: Arthur, born in 1902, and Royden, born in 1905.

**RALPH R. PITTINGER**—A graduate of a school of embalming, and with many years of experience as an undertaker to guide him, Mr. Pittenger has gained high reputation as a funeral director. Sympathetic and courteous, he fills a most difficult task with unflinching tact, and leaves a pleasant memory amid scenes of sorrow and grief. He is a son of Edward S. Pittenger, a lead-contractor and builder of recent days, grandson of Peter Pittenger, a farmer and grocer, and a great-grandson of Garrett and Elizabeth (Terryberry) Pittenger, of New Jersey. Peter Pittenger was a farmer of Northampton county, and also a merchant, conducting a grocery store in Easton, where he died at the age of eighty-five years. He married Maria George and they were the parents of a large family: Edward S., of further mention; Robert, of Bethlehem; Irwin, of Wilson township; Peter, of Wilson township; John, of Steubenville; Thomas, of Easton; Howard, deceased; Annie, married Robert Eichlin, of Stewartsville, New Jersey; Clara, married John H. Sinclair, of Easton; and May, deceased.

Edward Stewart Pittenger, eldest son of Peter and Maria (George) Pittenger, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, July 23, 1854, and died at his home, 1000 Washington street, September 10, 1918, after an illness of nine months. He was educated in the public schools of Easton, and later learned the builder's trade and became a contractor. He erected many residences and buildings in Easton and vicinity, and was one of the best known contractors and builders of the city. He was a prominent member of St. Mark's



Reformed Church, and in Free Masonry was affiliated with Dallas Lodge, No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; and Hugh de Payen Commandery, No. 19, Knights Templar. He was also a member of Lehighton Lodge, and of Valley Union Encampment, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Edward S. Pittenger married Matilda Riedy, daughter of Gabriel and Mary (Wertman) Riedy, and paternal granddaughter of Abraham and Catherine Reidy. Mary (Wertman) Reidy was a daughter of Jacob and Barbara (Andrews) Wertman. The Reidy family were early settlers of Heidelberg, Pennsylvania, the Wertmans at Andries, Pennsylvania, both families principally engaged as agriculturists. On both sides they were patriots, Mrs. Pittenger's great-grandfathers, Reidy and Wertman, both serving as soldiers in the Revolutionary Army. Mrs. Mary (Reidy) Pittenger survives her husband, and continues her residence at 1000 Washington street, where Mr. Pittenger had lived a retired life for some years. They are the parents of three sons: Ralph R., of further mention; Paul S., a graduate of Medico-Chirurgical Medical College, Philadelphia, and is now connected with the H. K. Mulford Company, of that city; Dr. Paul S. Pittenger, married Lela Welch; Russell, formerly associated with his father in his building operations, now connected with the Sun Shipbuilding Company, of Chester, Pennsylvania, where he has charge of the department of interior. He married Marcella Garrison of Easton, and they are the parents of three children: Arleyne, Armand and Edgar.

Ralph R. Pittenger was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, June 11, 1880, and has always made that city his home. He was educated in the public schools of the city, and in business college, entering business life shortly after completing his school years. He obtained his first experience with the Baker & Adamson Chemical Company of Easton, for eight years, continuing in the employ of that company in a clerical capacity. He then formed an association with Zachariah Taylor, and under the firm name, Taylor & Pittenger, conducted an undertaking business in Easton for seven years. Upon the death of Mr. Taylor in 1912, Mr. Pittenger continued the business alone, locating at 54 North Third street, where he is thoroughly furnished in every detail for the modern business of funeral directing. He is a graduate of Renard School of Embalming, and is a member of the Pennsylvania Association of Funeral Directors. Mr. Pittenger is also intimately connected with silk manufacturing, and was one of the organizers of the Roehlen & Pittenger Silk Company, now the Roehlen-Pittenger Silk Company, Inc., silk manufacturers with plant on Packer street, South Easton. That company capitalized at \$50,000 conducts a successful business, employing about thirty-five hands. Mr. Pittenger is secretary-treasurer of the company.

He is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church; Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Lehighton Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Washington Camp, Patriotic Sons of America; the Pomfret and Kiwanis clubs.

Mr. Pittenger married, June 24, 1915, Ella Kortz Rambo, daughter of George G. and Anna (Kortz) Rambo, of Easton. Mr. and Mrs. Pittenger are the parents of a son, Edward Stewart (2) Pittenger.

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**GEORGE H. WELTY**—George H. Welty, manager of the Nazareth Coal and Lumber Company, and one of the most prominent citizens of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, where he is identified with many of the most important interests of the town, is a member of one of the oldest and most distinguished families in this region, which was founded here by Philip Welty, who came originally from Switzerland and was one of the nine

brothers, emigrants to this country together with their mother about the time of the Revolutionary War. The Welty family settled in Center county, Pennsylvania, and from this place as a center scattered gradually to many other parts of the State, Philip finally becoming a permanent resident of Northampton county. Another branch of the family became large slate producers in Monroe county and later at Bradford county, finally retiring to Reading, Pennsylvania, where it is still represented. The descendants of various of these nine brothers are now found all through Western Pennsylvania as well as in many other States, and many of them have distinguished themselves in different lines of occupation. Philip Welty was finally identified with Bushkill township, Northampton county, and now lies buried in the cemetery at Salem Church in Moore township where many other members of the family, including George and John Welty, repose. These Weltys were respectively grandfather and father of the George H. Welty of this sketch. The former was born in Northampton county, and became a prominent man in the region. He erected the formerly well known iron works at Hockendauqua (now Catasauqua), which he operated with great success until his death at the age of sixty-two. His son, John Welty, was born in Northampton county, October 24, 1838, and died May 3, 1912, in Moore township, where his life had been passed from about 1867. He married Mary A. Arner, and they were the parents of the following children: 1. Emma; 2. Ellen, who became the wife of John P. Tatzinger, and died at Bethlehem at the age of fifty-two years. Her two sons recently served their nation in Company C, 316th Regiment of Infantry, stationed at Camp Meade, and Company, No. 4, of the 13th Training Battalion, also at Camp Meade. Their names are, respectively, Robert, who was captain of his company, and was shot through and through by a machine gun, and was ten weeks in a French hospital. Warren was gassed and possibly otherwise injured, and died in a hospital in France, October 5, 1918. 3. William, who is now engaged in business as a carpenter at Allentown. He married Benetta Jones, and their son was in the United States Service in France. 4. Mary, who became the wife of Paul Gapp, of Nazareth. 5. George H., with whose career we are here especially concerned. 6. Minnie, who is the twin of George H. and is now the wife of Harry Hall, a prosperous farmer of Moore township. The elder Mrs. Welty resides with this daughter. 7. Eva, who became the wife of H. E. Venter, of Nazareth.

George H. Welty was born May 29, 1877, at his father's home in Northampton county. His early education was received at the local schools, and at the age of seventeen he entered the State Normal School at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. He supplemented his studies at the last named institution with a course at the Allentown Business College, at Allentown, where he prepared himself for a commercial life and immediately afterwards secured a position as clerk in the general office of the Lehigh Valley railroad, at South Bethlehem. He continued working at that place until 1902 when he came to Nazareth, resigned from his former position and secured work as bookkeeper for two concerns—Asa Wunderly, dealer in lumber and coal, and the R. G. & W. J. Wunderly Company, which operated a planing mill in this region for about four years. In the year 1906 Mr. Welty formed a partnership with Mr. Charles Wunderly and the two gentlemen purchased the business of Asa Wunderly which they have since conducted together. Under their management the concern has come to be known as the Nazareth Coal & Lumber Company, and Mr. Welty and Mr. Wunderly are joint proprietors, the former acting as general manager of the business. This enterprise has met with a notable success, and Mr. Welty has, since his purchase of it, devoted his entire attention to its affairs. Mr. Welty is also keenly interested in farming in this region of the State and is the owner of a splendid property consisting of one hundred twenty-five acres of land known

as the Conrad Kocher farm, at Bushkill township. He does not attempt to run this farm himself, however, but it is at the present time in charge of a tenant. Mr. Welty has been exceedingly active in public affairs, and has exhibited a most commendable spirit and energy in keeping the interest of the community at large. At the present time he is a member of the Borough Council, representing the third ward on that body and is the chairman of the lighting committee. In the latter capacity he has done a work of great value to the community, the system of lighting at the present time being a new one which was installed under his direction and is far more adequate than anything that has preceded it. In politics Mr. Welty is a Democrat, and in religion he is a Lutheran, being a member of the official board of the church of that denomination at Nazareth.

George H. Welty was united in marriage on November 29, 1902, with Mary J. Hogan, a daughter of John and Sallie (Fehr) Hogan. Mr. Hogan was formerly a resident of Ireland and came to this country as a young man. He is remembered now in connection with the slate industry, mostly at Bangor, where he died about twenty years ago, and was buried in Vermont.

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**MARCUS CHRISTMAN FETTER**—Now that the boroughs of South Bethlehem, West Bethlehem and Bethlehem are incorporated into the city of Bethlehem, and have lost their municipal distinction, it is in order to recall the old days when the office of chief burgess was one of high distinction, and the Borough Council a veritable Hall of Fame. West Bethlehem acquired distinctive borough government in 1888, and the first man elected to fill the office of chief burgess was Marcus C. Fetter, who held the office for three terms. The first chief executive of the borough has passed away, as has the office he held, but his memory is green in Bethlehem, where his life was principally passed. There he won high reputation as a man of clear judgment and fine business ability, a good friend and neighbor, a loving and devoted husband. He was the last survivor of his immediate family, and when his useful life ended he was laid at rest in beautiful Nisky Hill Cemetery. He was of an ancient Moravian family, son of Herman Marcus Fetter, and grandson of Mark and Elizabeth (Harbach) Fetter, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Herman Marcus Fetter was born in Bethlehem, June 2, 1814, and died March 29, 1876. After school days were over he learned the tinsmith's trade with C. L. Knauss, of Bethlehem, and later he established in business for himself at Hellertown, Pennsylvania. There he continued in business as a tinsmith, but later he bought the Hellertown Hotel and conducted both the hotel and his tinning business. Later he sold his tin shop and devoted himself entirely to the management of the hotel. After selling out the Hellertown Hotel, he moved to South Bethlehem and for a time was in the lumber business with Boshek, Knauss & Company, going thence to Freemansburg, Pennsylvania, where he was proprietor of the Swan Hotel for three years. He again returned to old South Bethlehem and became proprietor of the hotel which was known for many years as the Fetter Hotel. For twenty-two years Mr. Fetter was a resident of old South Bethlehem, but in June, 1871, he retired from business. He was elected sheriff of Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, in 1862, receiving his commission November 12 of that year. In October, 1870, he was elected representative to the Pennsylvania Legislature from Lehigh county. He had friends all over the State, and was held in high esteem wherever known. He was big-hearted and generous, genial and kindly, always ready and willing to relieve the needy at the first call. The following tribute appeared in an obituary notice:





*M. C. Fetter*





Nor further seek his virtues to disclose,  
Or draw his frailties from their dread abode,  
There they alike in trembling hope repose,  
The bosom of his fathers and his God.

No man was better known in the State or county, and none could be more hospitable and courteous, more cordial in his welcome of a visitor. It was said of him that, "He always said the best he could of everybody."

Herman Marcus Fetter was a Moravian in religious faith, his father and mother being members of that faith, their marriage being contracted under the old Moravian custom of the elders of the congregation choosing by lot the young people who were to marry. He was a member of the Masonic order, an ardent Democrat, and a man of more than ordinary intelligence and character. He married, September 3, 1839, Rev. Mr. Herman of the Moravian church officiating, Christianna Christman, of Lower Saucon township, and they were the parents of ten children, Marcus Christman, the eldest.

Marcus Christman Fetter was born at Hellertown, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, August 6, 1841, and died at his home, Second street and Prospect avenue, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, May 1, 1914. He was educated in the Moravian Parochial School, and after completing his English studies entered Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, pursuing the course to a finish and being among the first graduates from that institution, now so well known and highly regarded. After becoming a registered pharmacist, he entered the employ of Charles E. Eggert, of Philadelphia, and continued a clerk in his employ for a period of eight years, including his time at the College of Pharmacy, which had been devoted to the drug business. At the death of his father, he withdrew from the business and succeeded to the ownership and management of the Fetter House in South Bethlehem, replacing the old building in 1890 with a modern three-story hotel building erected on the site of the old one, Main street and Lehigh avenue. In 1887 Mr. Fetter became executive and general manager of the George Uhl estate, a post he filled with great ability until his death in 1914. In 1888 he was elected the first Burgess of West Bethlehem, and for three terms he administered the affairs of the borough with fidelity and zeal. Like his father he was an ardent Democrat, but he never aspired to political office outside the local positions his friends were more anxious to give him than he was to accept. He took a deep interest in local affairs, and was one of the men whose progressiveness and public spirit placed the Bethlehems in the position they today occupy. He was a member of Bethlehem Lodge No. 283, Free and Accepted Masons; Zinzendorf Chapter No. 216, Royal Arch Masons, and Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar, the latter an Easton body. He was a member of the advisory board of Bethlehem Trust Company, and in his religious connection a Moravian.

Mr. Fetter married, September 29, 1868, Amanda Getz, Rev. Lewis Hubner officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Fetter had no children of their own, but the beautiful home at Prospect and Second avenues, which he built in 1892, well knew the voice of children, four having been therein reared and treated as the children of the owners. These children are now: Mrs. William Bender (*née* Getz), a cousin of Mrs. Fetter; Fred Getz, a brother of Mrs. Bender; Margaret Eberman, daughter of Rev. Clarence and Ida (Getz) Eberman, the latter a sister of Mrs. Fetter, the former a Moravian minister of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, who was left both fatherless and motherless; and Bertha Tallon, who married Norman Ludwig, who is now in the United States Army. Mrs. Ludwig again returned to Mrs. Fetter and the old home. Mrs. Fetter is a woman of womanly grace and charm, highly esteemed in the social circle in which she moves and abundant in good works. She is very active in the charitable and ladies' aid activities of the Moravian church.

**GEORGE B. GREEN**—Now nearing octogenarian honors, George B. Green reviews a long and active life spent mainly in his native Easton, which is yet his home. Without early educational training he started out to make his own way, and there has been no time in his life since the age of six years when he has been dependent upon anyone. He ran errands, set up pins, kept a hotel, ran a tenpin alley, drove a huckster wagon, drove a team, bought stock, and by every honest means has fought his way. Together with four brothers he marched away in answer to President Lincoln's call, and his record as a soldier is one of honor. He comes from the old M. J. Green family, founded by William Green, who came to America from England at the age of twenty years and landed in Philadelphia. Later he was found on Long Island, New York, and there he married Joanna, daughter of John Reeder. About 1700 he moved to Ewing township, Mercer county, New Jersey, where he purchased three hundred and forty-five acres from Col. Daniel Coxe, the deed bearing date 1712. On this purchase he built the first brick house in Ewing township, and the west gable of that house yet bears in plain figures the date of erection, 1717, and the house is still owned in the family name. William Green became one of the first judges of Hunterdon county, New Jersey, and otherwise was prominent and useful. His gravestone in Ewing church yard gives his death as in 1722. George B. is a son of Moses Green, born in New Jersey, a farmer and teamster, who settled in Easton, Pennsylvania, after his marriage to Sarah Schooley, and there died at the age of seventy-five years.

George B. Green was born in Easton, September 26, 1839, the family home being on what is now Sixth street, just in the rear of the old Mount Vernon Hotel. He was never sent to school, but ran errands from the time he was six years of age, earning a few cents, and three weeks comprises all the time he ever spent in a schoolroom. The Dutcher butcher shop was opposite his home, and there he spent a lot of his time getting his meats for his services around the shop. Later he set up pins, going on at eight o'clock and working until midnight, for a weekly wage of \$1.50. He did other work and became a keen, self-reliant young man, living in Easton until his enlistment in the Union Army in September, 1861. He went to the front a private of Capt. Seymour's Battery C, Fifth Regiment, United States Regular Army, and served three years, winning promotion to the rank of corporal, then to that of sergeant. In the same battery were three of his brothers, and a fourth brother served in another branch of the army, making five sons of one family who wore the blue in that trying period of our country's history. When his term of enlistment expired in September, 1864, George B. Green returned to Easton.

For eleven years after the war he was proprietor of the Star Hotel, Easton, and for the last seven years of that period was owner of the property. He sold the property about 1876, and bought a bowling alley on Northampton street, the same one on which he formerly worked as pin boy. He ran those alleys for four years, then sold out and accepted a position on Easton's police force. Seven years later he resigned and bought the bowling alley under the Easton Trust Company building, running that alley for several years. He followed several plans of earning a livelihood during the next few years, then engaged in huckstering, drove a lumber wagon, and turned his hand to anything which promised to return a profit. About 1900 he began stock dealing, attending sales in the country and purchasing cows, horses, sheep and hogs, or anything in the live stock line for which he could later find a market.

During one of the furloughs which he spent in Easton while a soldier, Mr. Green married in Washington, New Jersey, Eliabeth Hoffman, born in Easton in 1840, died there December 7, 1895, daughter of Henry Hoffman, then living near Belvidere, New Jersey. They established a home in Easton at once, and the young husband returned to the army. The maintenance of

that home was always his first consideration, and in Easton they ever resided. Mr. Green is a member of Lafayette Post No. 17, Grand Army of the Republic, and of the Junior Order United American Mechanics. His political action is strictly independent. Children: Ferdinand, who died in 1898; Anne, married (first) Thomas Carr, (second) Harry Shickp; Sarah, married William Poff, of Easton; and Frank, a resident of Easton.

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**PAUL EDGAR SCHWARZ, M.D.**—Dr. Schwarz was born in the city of Easton, July 26, 1891, fifth of the thirteen children of Paul G. and Anna (Voight) Schwarz. He was educated in the Easton public schools, finishing and graduating with the high school class of 1909. He entered Jefferson Medical College, and was graduated thence M.D., class of 1913. The same year he was appointed chief interne to Easton Hospital, and in 1914 resigned to serve as physician to the Pennsylvania State Sanitarium for Tuberculosis at Reading, there remaining eighteen months. In 1916 he returned to Easton, and has since been successfully engaged in practice in his native city. He is a member of the medical staff of Easton Hospital, and chief of the anesthetist department, also having his own private practice. He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, Lehigh Valley Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, and Easton Physicians' Protective Association. Dr. Schwarz is a Republican in politics, member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Northampton Republican Club, Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and is a patron of all healthful out-of-door sports. At college and in high school he took a leading part in athletics, and during his last two years at high school he was physical director of his class.

Dr. Schwarz married, November 24, 1915, Mary Jane Baumer, daughter of George D. and Senia K. (Butz) Baumer, of Easton, her father deceased, her mother a member of the prominent Butz family of Easton, descending from Peter Butz, who came from his native Switzerland to Pennsylvania in 1730. Mrs. Schwarz is a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1912, member of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Easton Hospital, and active in charitable work. Dr. and Mrs. Schwarz are the parents of a daughter, Jane Baumer.

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**EDWIN HULICK GLANZ**—Of genial, lovable disposition, a delightful companion at all times, and the life of every circle in which he moved, Mr. Glanz added to these personal traits a fine business ability and a sincere desire to be of service to his fellow men. When the news of his passing was made known, regret was universally and freely expressed. Edwin H. Glanz was a son of Edwin Sherrer and Mary A. (Rinek) Glanz, and a grandson of Col. Charles and Elizabeth (Evans) Glanz, the latter the founder of the family in Easton. Col. Charles Glanz, son of Heinrich Glanz, was born in Walke-reid, Germany, in 1826, died in Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1880. He was educated under private tutors, and at Blankenburg College, and in 1845 came to the United States, finally settling in Easton after short experiences in Philadelphia and Pottsville. He became prominent and popular in Easton, and in 1857 was appointed consul to Stettin, Germany, by President Buchanan. He only remained at his post one year, then returned to Easton to care for his business interests. In 1859, Governor Packer commissioned him captain of the "Easton Jaegers," and at the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861 he was one of the first to respond to the president's call for men. He was commissioned major of the Ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, by Governor Curtin, and in August, 1862, he began organizing Northampton's famous "Own," the One Hundred and Fifty-third Regiment, and in October, 1862, was commissioned its colonel. The One Hundred and Fifty-third Regiment was attached to the Eleventh Army Corps, under Gen. Franz Siegel, saw hard service, and at Chancellorsville, Colonel Glanz was captured by the



enemy. He was confined in Libby prison for a time, but finally was exchanged, although sadly broken in health and unable to continue in the service. He returned to Easton, and in 1871 was appointed chief of the fire department. He was prominent in civic and business life until his death in 1880.

Edwin Hulick Glanz was born in Easton, March 22, 1883, died at his home, No. 145 Bushkill street, in his native city, January 11, 1919. His mother, Mary Alice (Rinek) Glanz, married (second) James R. Zearfoss, who died January 11, 1919, she still continuing her residence in Easton. Edwin H. Glanz completed high school courses with graduation, class of 1900, then completed college preparation at Professor Lerch's School. He then entered Lafayette College, whence he was graduated C.E., class of 1904. Following graduation he entered the employ of the Zearfoss & Hilliard Lumber Company of Easton, and two years later (1906) he was elected secretary of the company. He was also president of the Delaware Ice Company, and had already gained an honorable position in the business world in which he moved. He made friends easily and always held them by the charm of his personality and the uprightness of his life.

Mr. Glanz took an active and prominent part in all forms of war work and rendered efficient service in the several Liberty Loan, Red Cross, War Chest drives, and aided greatly in the campaigns to raise funds for the Easton Hospital. In politics he was a Democrat, and formerly was a member of the city committee representing the Second Ward. He was an active member of Christ Lutheran Church, member of the church council, and chairman of the music committee. He was a member of the Easton Board of Trade, the Rotary and Pomfret clubs, and Rho Chapter, Chi Phi fraternity (Lafayette).

Mr. Glanz married, April 17, 1912, Anna M. Meeker, daughter of Charles W. and Elizabeth (Noll) Meeker, of Easton. Mrs. Glanz survives her husband with two children, Mary Elizabeth and Frances Louise.

**REV. BERNARD J. SOMMER**—From boyhood Father Sommer had a strong predilection for the priesthood, and there being no obstacles in the way, his education was begun and carried along with that end in view. He was a regularly ordained priest of the Roman Catholic church when he came to the United States, his first pastorate being the Church of the Holy Name in Dayton, Ohio, his present church being Our Lady of Hungary in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, to which he came in 1911.

He is a son of John and Susanna Sommer, residents of Iglo, Hungary, and there Bernard J. Sommer was born May 17, 1864. He began his education in the parochial school, and later studied divinity at theological schools, finally being ordained by the bishop of the diocese a priest of the Roman Catholic church. He was in charge of churches in Hungary, and performed priestly duties in his native diocese until 1906, when he came to the United States, being then forty-two years of age, and highly recommended. He served his first church, the Holy Name, at Dayton, Ohio, as its pastor for two years, the congregation of that church being principally Hungarian in birth or parentage. His work there was highly commended, but there being need for a man of his talents and race in that great center of the anthracite coal mining industry in Pennsylvania, Schuylkill county, he was transferred by Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, to the church of Sheppton. There he ministered to a congregation of mixed nationality for a short time, then was transferred to the church at McAdoo, a coal mining borough in Schuylkill county on the Lehigh Valley railroad. After serving the church at McAdoo for one year, Father Sommer was transferred to a parish in Reading, Pennsylvania, there remaining until 1911, when he was appointed pastor of the parish, Our Lady of Hungary, in Northampton, Pennsylvania, a village of Northampton county, on the Central Railroad of New Jersey, thirteen miles west of Easton.



Rev. B. J. Loomis



Northampton, a busy manufacturing center, with mills, quarries and breweries, offered a fruitful field for this earnest priest, and his work in the town has been greatly blessed. His predecessor had begun the erection of a church which Father Sommer has completed, and to the church property he has added the rectory, which formerly was a rented house. He has built a large parochial school building at a cost of \$50,000, containing in addition to the schoolrooms a large hall for public use. Six teachers are employed in the grades and a kindergarten teacher cares for the beginners. During the seven years he has been pastor of Our Lady of Hungary parish, he has expended about \$100,000 in new buildings, while spiritual conditions in every department of the parish of two thousand souls have been most satisfactory. His is a Hungary parish largely, and upon the pastor as spiritual leader and adviser in material things a great responsibility rests. Sixteen societies or sodalities are maintained in splendid working order, including the Society of St. Peter and Paul for the men of Hungarian birth, and the Society of St. Joseph for men of German birth. Father Sommer is a man of progressive spirit and ideas, and is untiring in his zealous efforts for the uplift of his people.

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**TIMOTHY CLEMENTS**—In faraway Manchester, England, both James Clements and his son, Timothy Clements, were born. The first named has long since gone to his reward, while the son Timothy, although past the years allotted to man, "three score and ten," is yet a resident of Easton, Pennsylvania, well known and highly esteemed. They are a long lived race, James Clements living to the age of eighty, his wife to the age of ninety-four years. Father and son were skilled mechanics, the former a machinist, the latter a moulder, a trade he followed actively for forty-two years. He is now living retired from all business, passing the evening of his life in contentment and ease.

James Clements was born in Manchester, England, and died in Easton, Pennsylvania, an octogenarian. He was a machinist by trade, but for many years was a stationary engineer, preferring that occupation. He married Ellen Maxwell, in England, who survived him until ninety-four years was her span of life. They were the parents of eleven children, three of whom are yet living: Timothy, of further mention; James, blacksmith of Easton; and William, a barber of Glendon, Pennsylvania.

Timothy Clements was born in Manchester, England, April 10, 1844, and there at the age of nine years began at a boy's work in a cotton mill, wiping machinery, which was not at all suitable for so young a child. Under the English law he was obliged to attend school half of each day until twelve years of age, then it was permissible to keep children from school entirely. These half-day sessions comprised his only school opportunities, of such great account to his parents was the penny per day which he was paid when he first began these half-days as a wiper at the mill. He continued a mill worker as long as the family remained in Manchester, the removal to the United States being accomplished by the father, James Clements, in 1853, he finding a location in Easton, Pennsylvania, and at once sending for his family. They came across the Atlantic in the Black Ball liner *Isaac Webb*, a sailing ship, the father having crossed in the same vessel on her previous trip, only three months about intervening between the coming of the father and the arrival of his family. Seven weeks were spent in crossing, an accident of the voyage yet well being remembered, a severe storm, when all passengers were kept below decks with no expectation that they would ever again see the light of day. After arriving in Easton, the lad Timothy was sent to school for a time, but soon found work in the ore mines at a wage of fifty cents daily, of which he took instant advantage. From the mines he went to the canal, driving a team of mules on the tow-path between Bucks



Mountain and Jersey City, also driving to Philadelphia at other times. Later he left the canal and became a tender to the water-wheels at the blast furnaces, his father being the engineer at the furnaces. He continued at that occupation until arriving at a suitable age to learn a trade, then entered the employ of the Glendon Iron Works and began learning the machinist's trade. He served one year, then was transferred to the foundry department of the works, and for three years was an apprentice to the moulder's trade. As soon as he had attained the dignity of a journeyman he left Glendon, went to Hazelton, Pennsylvania, and spent seven years there and in other parts of the anthracite coal region. He then returned to Easton, entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company as a moulder in their Easton shops, but at the end of eight months returned to Hazelton, where he remained three years. In 1877 he again entered the foundry department of the Glendon Iron Works, remaining with that company until it closed its plant and went out of business. He then obtained employment with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company as a moulder in their Easton shops, remaining there until they removed the foundry elsewhere. From that time until his retirement he was employed in various shops including the Ingersoll-Rand, Young & Slough, on Ferry street, Easton, and the Roland Firth shops at Phillipsburg. During this period he was stricken with a severe illness, and for two years was incapacitated. Upon his recovery he went to Dover, New Jersey, where he was employed as a moulder for seven years, after which he returned to Easton, where he is now living a retired life. He became a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at the age of twenty-one, and has always continued in that faith. In politics he is a Republican.

Mr. Clements married, in Hazelton, April 28, 1870, Elizabeth Griffith, of Jamesville, Pennsylvania, who died in Easton, December 1, 1909. She was a devout Methodist, a woman of strong Christian character and home making attributes, greatly beloved by all who knew her. Mr. and Mrs. Clements were the parents of eight children: 1. Herbert James. 2. Mary Elizabeth, married Joseph Graff, chief engineer of telegraph and telephones, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad, resides in Scranton, Pennsylvania; three children, Pauline, Joseph and Mary E. 3. Walter John, of Easton, married and has two children, Walter and Hazel. 4. Thomas Henry, deceased, married and had one daughter, Dora. 5. Wilbert Timothy, of Jersey City, married Marie Trimmer. 6. Dora Ella, married Herbert Rice, of Easton. 7. Leroy, deceased. 8. Laura, deceased.

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**JAMES A. MORGENSTERN, M.D.** -- In 1869, Frederick Louis Morgenstern came from Germany to the United States, aged twenty-four years. He was a skilled mechanic and became one of Easton's leading contractors and builders. He married Christina Schickley, and they are the parents of six children, James A., now a successful physician of Easton, being their fifth child.

Dr. James A. Morgenstern was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, April 24, 1881. He was educated in the public schools of the city and Lerch's Preparatory School. He then began his professional training at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Maryland, there continuing until graduated M.D., class of 1907. He spent a year as interne in Baltimore City Hospital, and in 1908 began general medical practice in Easton. He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, of which he is a fellow, and is very popular among his professional brethren. He holds the confidence and respect of his clientele, and is well established in public regard. In his college years he was fond of athletics, especially football, and in his recreations his choice is for those out-of-door sports, his particular sports being hunting and fishing. Dr. Morgenstern is a Republican in politics, a member of





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Trinity Evangelical Church, Easton Board of Trade, Phi Chi fraternity, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and Loyal Order of Moose.

Dr. Morgenstern married, December 26, 1912, Emily B. McCormick, daughter of Thomas and Anna McCormick, of Easton. They are the parents of two children: Anna A. and Frederick Lewis.

**CLEMENT STEWART**—Charles Stewart, the founder of this branch of the Stewart family in America, came from Scotland in 1720 and bought a farm near Red Hill in Bucks county, Pennsylvania. He was a captain of Provincial troops in the French and Indian War. He died at Red Hill, May 13, 1764, his birth in Scotland bearing date of March 11, 1691. Charles (2) Stewart, his son, was born in Scotland, May 9, 1716, and died at Doylestown, Pennsylvania, June 11, 1789. His son, Robert Stewart, born June 9, 1733, died in Warren, then Sussex county, New Jersey, July 22, 1809. He was a man of consequence, an elector, and member of the New Jersey General Assembly. He married Sarah Johnston. His son, Thomas Stewart, born March 19, 1752, died near Stewartsville, New Jersey, December 31, 1836. He was a large land owner, a surveyor, justice of the peace, judge of common pleas, a lieutenant in the Continental army, a man widely known and everywhere respected. He married, March 19, 1778, Rachael, daughter of William Dewees, of Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. His youngest son, John Stewart, married Elizabeth Green, and they were the parents of Clement Stewart, of Easton, who is of further mention.

John Stewart, above mentioned, was born in Stewartsville, New Jersey, September 27, 1796. After public school courses in Stewartsville, he spent a few years as a student in an Easton private school, and then entered business life. He organized the firm Stewart & Company, manufacturers of wire, and continued the head of the firm until his death. He married Elizabeth Green, born in Easton, June 28, 1800, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Traill) Green, and a granddaughter of Robert Traill, a distinguished officer of the Continental army. His wife, Elizabeth (Grotz) Traill, is mentioned in history as "one of the brave women of the Revolution." Elizabeth (Green) Stewart was a descendant of William Green, who came from England to America, a young man of twenty, landing at Philadelphia, and about 1700 settled near Trenton, New Jersey. There in 1712 he bought three hundred and twenty acres of farm land from Col. Daniel Coxe, and built the first brick house in Ewing township. He died in 1722, and is buried in Ewing churchyard. He married Joanna, daughter of John Reeder, and they were the parents of Richard Green, who married Mary, daughter of George Ely, of Trenton, New Jersey, son of Josiah Ely, who came from England, April 20, 1685, and bought four hundred acres, now the site of the city of Trenton. Richard and Mary (Ely) Green were the parents of Richard (2) Green, who married Phoebe Moore, daughter of Nathaniel and Joanna (Prudden) Moore. They were the parents of Benjamin Green, who married Elizabeth Traill, and they were the parents of Elizabeth (Green) Stewart, wife of John Stewart, and mother of Clement Stewart.

This ancestry includes many distinguished men. The Greens, being members of the Society of Friends, did not take part in the Revolution as soldiers, yet were strongly on the Colonial side, and aided the cause of Independence by generous gifts of money and provisions for which the original receipts are in existence. When General Washington was preparing to cross the Delaware upon that fateful Christmas night he needed guides upon whose courage and fidelity he could rely. Among the three which he found to guide him from the Delaware to the British camp in Trenton was William Green, of Trenton, an uncle of Elizabeth (Green) Stewart. Rev. Peter Prudden, grandfather of Joanna (Prudden) Moore, was one of the noted men of Colonial times. He came from England with John Davenport and John



Harvard (for whom Harvard College is named), in 1739, and was one of the founders of New Haven, Connecticut, and one of the "Seven Pillars." In Memorial Hall at Hartford three clergymen were selected for a special remembrance in a memorial window installed at the expense of the State, those three being Thomas Hooker, John Davenport and Peter Prudden. He was also a founder of Milford, Connecticut, where a memorial tablet to him adorns the walls of the church, and on a memorial bridge over a beautiful stream in the town is a stone to his memory. His granddaughter Joanna, daughter of Rev. John Prudden, of Newark, married Nathaniel Moore, son of Capt. Samuel Moore, a man prominent in military and civil life on Long Island, serving in the Indian wars and in many public offices. His son, Nathaniel, bought five hundred acres two miles from Pennington, Mercer county, New Jersey, and there died September 6, 1759, aged seventy-two. He married Joanna Prudden, daughter of Rev. John Prudden, and granddaughter of Rev. Peter Prudden.

Capt. Samuel Moore was a son of Rev. John Moore, of England, who settled first in New England, and later at Newtown, Long Island, in 1652. He married Margaret, daughter of Edward Howell, of Marsh Gibbon, of Buckinghamshire, England, who came with his family to Boston in 1639, was a land owner in Lynn, and in 1639-40 settled in Long Island. Capt. Samuel Moore, son of Rev. John and Margaret (Howell) Moore, married Mary Reed; their son, Nathaniel Moore, married Joanna Prudden; their daughter, Phoebe Moore, married Richard Green; their son, Benjamin Green, married Elizabeth Traill; their daughter, Elizabeth Green, married John Stewart, and they were the parents of Clement Stewart, of Easton.

Elizabeth (Traill) Green descended from George Traill, a cadet of the family of Traill of Blebo, Fifeshire, Scotland, who emigrated to the Orkney Islands when a young man. Robert Traill, the head of the family in America, was a son of Rev. Thomas and Sabilla (Grant) Traill, his mother a daughter of Rev. Alexander Grant, of South Ronaldsay. He came to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1763, being then nineteen years of age. Not liking that city he moved to Easton, where he taught school, studied law, was an ardent patriot, major and quartermaster of Pennsylvania and New Jersey troops, and after peace came was sheriff and judge of Northampton county—in fact, held about every office within the gift of the people. He married, March 3, 1774, Elizabeth Grotz, a woman of intelligence and energy, whose German thrift made her a true helpmate to her Scotch husband. Their daughter, Elizabeth Traill, married Benjamin Green, as stated.

Another line of descent to Clement Stewart is from Edward Farmar and William Dewees, through Rachael Dewees, wife of Thomas Stewart, and daughter of William and Rachael (Farmar) Dewees. Edward Farmar was a son of Major Jaspar Farmar, of the British army, and a resident of Cork, Ireland. Major Farmar bought five thousand acres from the Penns, but before coming to Pennsylvania to settle upon the land he died. Edward Farmar came to Pennsylvania with many other members of his family when fourteen years of age, and became one of the prominent men of Pennsylvania. His settlement at Whitemarsh was known as Farmarstown, and his grist-mill on the Wissahickon had an extended reputation as early as 1713. He was a justice of the peace for Philadelphia county for forty years, a member of the State Legislature from about 1710 to 1732, and for some time was county commissioner. He died November 3, 1745, and is buried in the churchyard of St. Thomas Protestant Episcopal Church at Whitemarsh, where a monument stands to his memory. He married Rachael, maiden name unknown, and their daughter Rachael married William (2) Dewees, son of William (1) and Anna (Christiansen) Dewees. These Farmars held their estate at Easton Neston, Northampton county, England, in 1480, and were a prominent family, who later were granted estates in Cork and Tip-

perary, Ireland, and from that branch sprang Edward, father of Rachael (Farmer) Dewees. One of the family, Lady Juliana Farmer, married Thomas Penn, who ordered the plan of Easton, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, the name Easton being from Easton Neston, the Farmer family seat in England, the county also in Pennsylvania being named from Northampton county in England. In naming Easton streets, Thomas Penn used many family names: Second street was formerly Farmer street; Third street was Pomfret street; Fourth street was Hamilton; and Fifth street was Juliana street.

Rachael Farmer married William (2) Dewees, of a family believed to be identical with the D'Ewees, of French Huguenot descent, and famed in French history. In 1742, William Dewees owned and operated a paper mill in the neighborhood of Germantown, Pennsylvania. He built a stone mansion at Whitemarsh, and on the gable end can be seen the initials W. D. R. He married Anna Christiansen, and they were the parents of William (2) Dewees, who married Rachael Farmer. One of the daughters of William (2) Dewees, Rachael, born in 1760, died in 1816, married Thomas Stewart, then a lieutenant in the Continental army. One of the sons, William (3) Dewees, was a colonel, and when General Washington intrenched the army at Valley Forge, Colonel Dewees' family was residing there. The Valley Forge burned by the British in September, 1777, belonged to Colonel Dewees. This, in brief, is the ancestry of Clement Stewart, and reveals the fact that the Stewarts, Farmers, Traills, Dewees, Elys, Howells, Greens and Stewarts were men of character and force, ready with pen or sword to uphold the cause of liberty and the land they loved. All were represented in the Colonial and Revolutionary wars, and Princeton College has been liberally endowed by two members of the Green family.

Clement Stewart, son of John and Elizabeth (Green) Stewart, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, November 25, 1842. He acquired his early education in the private schools conducted by Dr. Lehman and the Rev. Dr. McPhail, and also studied under Professors Edsall Ferriet and R. B. Youngman, of Lafayette College. He was so well prepared that upon matriculation at Princeton he entered the sophomore class in 1862, and was graduated A.B., class of 1864. Following graduation he entered the employ of Stewart & Company, manufacturers of wire, his father, John Stewart, being the capable head of that firm. The young man began at the bottom, but rose to the position of assistant superintendent after mastering the work of several departments of the business. He continued as assistant superintendent until 1892, when he resigned after twenty-eight years of active connection with Stewart & Company, during which time he gave to the business his energy and devotion. In 1889, Mr. Stewart was appointed assistant postmaster of Easton, and for seventeen years he held that position. Mr. Stewart, in 1863, enlisted in Company D, Thirty-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania, known as the "Iron Regiment," recruited when Pennsylvania was invaded by the Confederates. The regiment was mustered into the service in June, 1863, and honorably discharged August 7, 1863. He was for years a member of McKean Post, Grand Army of the Republic, but later transferred to the staff of the national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, for one year with the rank of colonel; was adjutant of McKean Post six years, and officer of the day two years. In politics a Republican, he has always been actively interested in party success, and has served as a member of the School Board and Easton Town Council. Through his patriotic ancestry he gained admission to the Pennsylvania Society, Sons of the Revolution, and is a member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Easton, the McKinley Club, Closophic Society of Princeton, and to the Greek letter fraternity, Zeta Psi. He is also a member of the McKinley Club of Easton, and the Stewart Society of Edinburgh, Scotland.

Clement Stewart married, June 27, 1867, Harriet Heist Drinkhouse, daughter of Samuel and Maria (Tindall) Drinkhouse. Mrs. Stewart was born in Easton, was educated in Madam Clement's school, and has always made Easton her home. Samuel Drinkhouse was born in Reading, Pennsylvania, April 17, 1804, died January 24, 1904, a grandson of George Heist, who served as a private in the Sixth Pennsylvania Battalion in the Revolutionary War, commanded by Col. Joseph Heister, of Berks county, Pennsylvania. Samuel Drinkhouse left Reading, Pennsylvania, at the age of eighteen, with \$800, intending to go to New York city. He stopped at Easton overnight and was so pleased with the city that he decided to remain. He invested his \$800 in a hat factory, and as a manufacturer of hats acquired a fortune. When General Lafayette visited the United States in 1824, Mr. Drinkhouse went with the Easton Rifles, of which he was a member, to call upon the great Frenchman, making the trip from Easton to Philadelphia in one day in a Durham boat. Each member of the company was presented to General Lafayette and honored with a handgrasp. On their return, the Rifles visited another distinguished Frenchman, Jerome Bonaparte, then living at Bordentown, New Jersey. For many years Mr. Drinkhouse was a member of the Lutheran church, and was a man thoroughly respected and admired. He lived well into his hundredth year, but died January 24, 1904, his one hundredth birthday, had he lived, coming on the following April 17th.

Clement and Harriet Heist (Drinkhouse) Stewart are the parents of a daughter and three sons: 1. Marie, born May 9, 1868; married Bingham Hood Coryell, and has two children, Clement Stewart, first ("top") sergeant in the Quartermaster Department at Washington, District of Columbia, and Margaret Bingham. 2. Ralph Tindall, whose sketch follows. 3. Clarence Dudley, born January 11, 1873, died December 3, 1914; married June 11, 1907, Mrs. Clara M. (Evans) Arndt, widow of Dr. Oliver Arndt, of Easton; Clarence Dudley Stewart was educated in private schools in Easton; became a civil engineer and member of the R. T. and C. D. Stewart Contracting Company; he was a prominent business man of his city, popular socially and fraternally, affiliating with the Masonic Order and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. 4. Rodney Long (see sketch on following page). All the brothers are civil engineers and contractors.

Clement Stewart has devoted a great deal of time and research to his family lines, and has written a great deal which has been published. The work on "Families of the Lehigh Valley," published in 1905, contains many genealogies from his pen, which have been drawn upon by the writer for this review of his own life and ancestry.

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**RALPH TINDALL STEWART**—Ralph Tindall Stewart, eldest son of Clement and Harriet Heist (Drinkhouse) Stewart, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1870. After attendance at the Misses Swayie's School, Track Academy and Lerch Preparatory School, he entered Lafayette College, whence he was graduated C.E., class of 1890. He began professional engineering with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, going thence to the Berlin Bridge Company, of Berlin, Connecticut, and from the latter to the Shiffler Bridge Company of Pittsburgh, serving the two last named companies as cost engineer. After leaving Pittsburgh he was for a time in the employ of the Pottsville Iron & Steel Company of Pottsville, Pennsylvania, then returned to Easton, where, in 1895, in association with his brother, Clarence Dudley Stewart, now deceased, he organized the Keystone Construction Company, which later was incorporated as the R. T. and C. D. Stewart Contracting Company, Incorporated, civil engineers and contractors. Ralph T. Stewart was chosen the first president of the company, which has had a very successful career, the chief activity of the company, solving the engineering problems met with in the construction of large manufacturing plants and their later



construction. Reinforced concrete work has been a special problem solved successfully by the Stewart Brothers, and they having erected some of the largest plants in Easton, Pennsylvania, where that material was used. Mr. Stewart is also a director of the National Bag Company, and a man of recognized ability as both professional engineer and executive manager. For one year he served South Easton Borough as engineer, and he is a member of the Board of Trade, and Rotary Club, but his tastes are all professional and he takes little part in public affairs.

From college days, Mr. Stewart has been a devotee of athletic sports, and he now enjoys the recreation of the out-of-doors, hunting and motoring particularly appealing to him, while a good horse or a well trained dog always attracts his more than passing notice. He is a member of the Masonic order, the Sons of Veterans, the Pomfret Club, the Zeta Psi fraternity, Brainerd Union Presbyterian Church, and politically is a Republican.

From November 5, 1918, to May 26, 1919, Mr. Stewart was associated in civil capacity with the Ordnance Board, created by Congress to function in connection with and under the direction of the Ordnance Department, its members appointed by the Secretary of War, for the appraisal of about nine thousand five hundred claims resulting from the great explosion at the Gillespie Loading Plant, October 4, 1918. Mr. Stewart was one of three out of sixty chosen as special appraiser, and bore much of the burden in the important work of placing the value of destroyed property in and about Perth Amboy, New Jersey. At the conclusion of his services, he received a gratifying letter of commendation and appreciation of his work from the chairman of the board.

Mr. Stewart married (first) November 1, 1899, Margaret Graham Clark, daughter of John and Catherine (Campbell) Clark, of Easton, both of Scotch ancestry. Mrs. Stewart died January 15, 1904, the mother of a son, Dudley Campbell, who died in infancy, and a daughter, Marie Stewart, now a high school student. He married (second) October 19, 1913, Sadie B., daughter of Allen and Frances (Burwell) Worthington, of Easton. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart are the parents of a son, Ralph Tindall (2), and a daughter, Elizabeth.

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**RODNEY LONG STEWART**—Rodney Long Stewart, youngest son of Clement and Harriet Heist (Drinkhouse) Stewart, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, January 13, 1881. He completed courses in the public schools with graduation from the high school in the class of 1899, then entered Lafayette College, being graduated C.E. in the class of 1903. After graduation he was for one year in the employ of the R. T. and C. D. Stewart Construction Company, then becoming superintendent in charge of the construction of the South Side power plant of the Easton Power Company. Until June, 1907, he was engineer in charge of construction with the Edison Portland Cement Company, superintending the construction of one of the first reinforced concrete power plants, reinforced concrete a method of building then in the first stages of its development. In June, 1907, he returned to the employ of the R. T. and C. D. Stewart Construction Company, remaining with the firm, of which he is now a member, for about eighteen months on general construction work, then taking charge of the erection of the Hercules Plant at Stockertown, Pennsylvania. He subsequently became construction engineer for the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing Company at Philadelphia, where he erected a citric acid plant, a sulphuric acid plant, and several furnaces used in the industry. During the year and a half of his continuance in this position he made frequent trips to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, to inspect furnaces being shipped to all parts of America and Europe. Afterward he went to Tennessee in the service of his brothers and erected the Clinchfield Portland Cement Company's plant at Kingsport, Tennessee, in the heart of a mountain wilderness. Returning to the employ of the Pennsylvania Salt Manu-



facturing Company, he remained in Philadelphia until 1913, when he directed work on the Central Railroad at Scranton, Pennsylvania, in the interests of his brothers. Upon the death of C. D. Stewart, in December, 1914, he became a member of the firm of the R. T. and C. D. Stewart Construction Company in the office of secretary, which he fills at the present time (1919). He is a member of the Rotary Club, interested in the other business organizations of the city, and also belongs to the Sons of Veterans, the Zeta Psi fraternity, and the Brainerd Union Presbyterian Church. His sports are those of the open, hunting and fishing his favorite recreations.

Mr. Stewart married, September 2, 1903, Olive Reynolds, daughter of James R. and Sarah Ida (Tidybach) Reynolds, of Boston. Mrs. Stewart is a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1900, and is chairman of the membership committee of the Navy League, vice-chairman of the Americanization Committee of Northampton county, and a member of the Women's Committee of National Defense. She is interested and active in civic affairs, a loyal worker in the Red Cross and the church, and a strong friend of the Presbyterian Italian Mission Board of Easton. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart are the parents of a daughter, Harriet.

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**JERE McCARTY**—Jere McCarty was born in South Bethlehem forty-seven years ago, and has lived practically his whole life in the Bethlehem district, and his life has earned him substantial respect from a great number of Bethlehem residents. That he has had the interest of the city at heart has been evidenced by his public work and the hours he has given to honorary tasks in the municipal government; and that he has had the confidence of a majority of the electorate has been evidenced in his long continuance in public office, his record of public service including eleven years as councilman, three terms as county committeeman, and four years as the chairman of the Police Committee, during which he was instrumental in installing the National Police System in Bethlehem. That achievement may be considered to have been the most eventful in the public record of Mr. McCarty, and the one of greatest good to the city.

Jere McCarty was born August 29, 1872, at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the son of Dennis and Anna (Donovan) McCarty. Both his parents were born in Ireland. They had eight children, three of whom are deceased. The living members of the family are: John, who is in the police department of the Bethlehem Steel Company, Redington, Pennsylvania; Bridget, who married August Ryer, who died in 1893, she the mother of four children; Lizzie, who married Pat Kaylor, since deceased; Nellie, who married Thomas Burns, who is associated with the city government of Pittsburgh, at present connected with the treasurer's office, and previous to her marriage Mrs. Burns was a school teacher, a graduate of Stroudsburg Normal School; and Jere, of whom further.

After passing through the public schools of South Bethlehem, Jere McCarty followed the chief industry of the neighborhood, for more than twenty years working industriously in the steel plants of Bethlehem. A man of strong character, he soon interested himself actively in the civic affairs of the place, and his thoroughness and fellow-feeling soon brought him into public confidence and prominence. A Democrat of firm and staunch conviction, he early was brought into active participation in political movements, and his popularity among his fellow workers eventually brought him among the political leaders of the district. He has taken creditable and honorable part in many political campaigns, his following having weight in the decision of public issues. His record in civic office has been exemplary; he was elected continuously for eleven years to the City Council; was successful in three elections for county committeeman, and his manly attributes, his knowledge of the people and his integrity in public office decided his colleagues in his

favor for the presidency of the Police Committee of Bethlehem; he presided as chairman for four years over the deliberations of that committee, being directly responsible for the introduction and installation of the police system before referred to herein. In 1917 he was particularly active in the City Council, advocating the early improvement of the city streets, and in 1918 he was approached by a strong faction of the county who sought to induce him to stand in the following November for the office of county commissioner.

Like his father, who lived to the venerable age of eighty-four years, having been born in 1811 and his decease not occurring until 1895, Jere McCarty is a devout member of the Catholic church and substantial in his support thereof. And like his father, who from the time of his coming to Northampton county in 1831, until the year of his retirement, applied himself steadily and industriously to honest, manly labors in the district, Jere McCarty has throughout his long connection with the industrial life of Bethlehem applied himself manfully to a full man's work, his steady application to such bringing to him in course of time a fair return in profit. For twenty years he was a steel worker, and then acquired a hotel business, at which occupation he has since continued, conducting a reputable hostelry and exerting a controlling influence for good over the frailties of many of the weaker men who sought its service. That he succeeded in giving good service and would not countenance excesses by the patrons of his house is indicated by his public record as a license holder. He is interested in fraternal work, and is particularly identified with the local branch of the Loyal Order of Moose. And this article would not do full justice to the public record of Mr. McCarty if it omitted to state that he has the distinction of having been the youngest man ever elected to the City Council. He has given unselfish and long labors to the city, and as captain of the Fifth Ward Consolidation Team worked enthusiastically and notably to accomplish the consolidation of the two Bethlehem boroughs.

On October 21, 1897, Mr. McCarty was married at Philipsburg, Pennsylvania, to Annie Sullivan, daughter of Timothy and Mary Sullivan, both now deceased, of that place. They are the parents of four children: 1. Anna, born December 27, 1898, at Bethlehem; she is a graduate of the parochial school, and is an accomplished pianist. 2. Robert, born in Bethlehem, April 15, 1901, and is now a trade apprentice at the Bethlehem Steel Works. 3. Vincent, born October 21, 1906, and still a student at the parochial school. 4. John, born January 2, 1909.

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**STEWART D. RITTER**—Merchandising has been the business of both Stewart D. Ritter and his father, Benjamin F. Ritter, the latter, when a young man, opening the only general store in his neighborhood. In that store the son was instructed in business methods, and when he started business for himself he was in the same store as his father's successor. Benjamin F. Ritter was born at Santee Mills, Bethlehem township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 20, 1822, died December 31, 1887. For a number of years he was proprietor of a general store at Butztown, Pennsylvania, then opened a store in Freemansburg, there conducting a general mercantile business for forty years. He was a Democrat in politics and held about every office in the borough. He was a man of intelligence and good judgment, upright in his life and held in the very highest esteem by his friends and neighbors of practically a lifetime. He was treasurer of the Lutheran church for many years, and for many more and at all times foremost in every good work, church or civic. He married Mary Ann, daughter of William Frankenfield, a farmer of Bethlehem township. Mrs. Ritter died November 11, 1893. Children: William B., born April 27, 1854, died June 30, 1884, in business with his father for many years, he married Belle Lawall, of Lower Nazareth township, and has a son, Harry L.; Stewart D., of further mention.

Stewart D. Ritter was born in Freemansburg, Pennsylvania, June 20, 1859, and began his education, finishing at Bethlehem Preparatory School. He began business life in his father's general store in Freemansburg, and has been associated with that store as clerk, partner and owner for a long term of years, then changed to his present line of coal, wood, cement and builders' materials of other kinds. He has now an honorable place among Northampton merchants and is steadily increasing in both popularity and business prominence. He is a director of the Lehigh Valley National Bank, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Northampton County; Agricultural Society of Northampton County, and its vice-president, and is one of the active influential members of these boards of direction.

In politics Mr. Ritter is a Democrat, and since 1893 has been treasurer of the Borough of Freemansburg; a school treasurer since 1908; a justice of the peace since 1893 (twenty-six years); and is a member of the Democratic county committee. For five years he was president of the Lutheran church of Freemansburg, succeeding his father; and in fraternity, he is a member of Freemansburg Lodge of the Eagles and Red Men.

He married, November 13, 1884, Alice T., daughter of Adam Snyder, of Lehigh Gap, a retired farmer at the time of his death. Mr. and Mrs. Ritter are the parents of a son, Chauncey S. Ritter, born October 31, 1893, a graduate of Muhlenberg College, class of 1913, engaged in business until entering the United States Army for service against Germany.

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**JOSEPH A. HORNER**—Trained in electrical engineering at Lehigh University, and for five years identified with that profession in the West, the relation of Joseph A. Horner to the cement industry of Pennsylvania is a connection that was formed at the instance of favorable opportunity and without the long preparation and consideration that usually accompanies the choice of a career. How mutually successful and profitable that connection has been is testified by his present general managership of the Nazareth Cement Company, a prosperous and thriving concern, whose operations have been doubled during the twelve years he has been at its head.

Joseph A. Horner is the son of Hugh and Jane (Hayes) Horner, and grandson of Robert Horner, and the old home where his father spent the greater part of his life of seventy-four years is still in his possession. Hugh Horner was for many years an elder of the Presbyterian church of Weaversville, later filling the same office in the church at Bath, where he lived during his later years. His wife, Jane (Hayes) Horner, was a direct descendant of Capt. John Hayes, of Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, who rendered valuable service to the Colonial cause in the Revolutionary War, and who erected and operated a stone and frame mill at Weaversville, which is still in active use. Children of Hugh and Jane (Hayes) Horner: Robert, a retired dental surgeon of Philadelphia, resides in Bath, Pennsylvania, unmarried; Mary Jane, a resident of Germantown, Pennsylvania, unmarried; John King, engaged in the grocery business in Philadelphia, unmarried; and Joseph A., of whom further.

Joseph A. Horner was born in the Scotch-Irish village in Allen township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, November 25, 1866. After preparatory study he enrolled in electrical engineering at Lehigh University, and was graduated in the class of 1898, working for one year in Philadelphia and then going West. He remained in the western part of the country for five years (for the greater part of that time engaged in professional work on electrical construction), then returned to Philadelphia, where he passed another year. At the end of that time he became interested in real estate and building operations in his native county of Northampton, and in Allentown he platted a tract of one hundred and eighteen acres, known as Horner's Addition, which



he disposed of mainly to builders, although he erected a number of residences thereon. This operation was a most successful one, and the residential section that he opened became a popular part of the city.

With the sale of three hundred and twenty acres of land to the Bath Portland Cement Company in 1904, Mr. Horner's connection with the cement industry began, for during his transactions with the officials of the company he became so interested in the project that he lent it financial support and became a member of the board of directors. This position he retains to the present time, and the prosperous record of the company has amply justified his early confidence in its future. Mr. Horner is a director of the Nazareth Cement Company, the oldest concern of its kind in the region, and to this company he has given the major part of his time and attention for the past twelve years, directing its operations as general manager and treasurer. He holds a worthy place in the cement manufacturing industry, which is so important a part of the industrial life of the locality, and has administered the affairs of the Nazareth plant with an ability and fairness that has created a most satisfactory spirit of co-operation at a time when such a condition is unfortunately rare between employers and employed. Mr. Horner's executive capacities have been impressed into service by his associates in connection with the Bath Bank, of which he has been a director for twelve years, during the past six years serving as president. This is a substantial institution that for many years has served the locality in an efficient, modern manner, and that has been of material aid to the business interests of the county.

Joseph A. Horner married, in 1906, Caroline Jennie Blair, of Bath, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of Ruth Blair and Hugh.

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**ROBERT L. GITTINGS, D.C.**—Among the systems of "drugless healing," chiropractic has many followers, and of that particular school Dr. Robert L. Gittings, of Easton, is a leading practitioner, and he is demonstrating most satisfactorily to his clientele the value of the system he employs, a method of restoring health by manipulation of the spinal column. Dr. Gittings is a son of Dr. William H. and Lula (Reed) Gittings, his father now a successful practitioner of chiropractic at Allentown, Pennsylvania. Dr. William H. Gittings was born in Baltimore, Maryland, of an old family, and on the maternal side was descended from the Henry family of Virginia, of which Patrick Henry was representative. Mrs. Lula (Reed) Gittings was born in St. Louis, Missouri, the Reeds and their maternal lines tracing to earliest days in New England Colonial history.

Dr. Robert L. Gittings was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania, November 7, 1892, and was educated in the public schools of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. He completed his studies with graduation from high school, class of 1914, and then began professional study at Central Chiropractic College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated D.C. He began practice in Pittsburgh, but soon removed to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he was associated in practice with his father until the latter part of 1918, when they opened offices in Easton with Dr. Robert L. Gittings in charge. Dr. Gittings is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics is an independent. He is a devotee of out-of-door sports, shooting, fishing, swimming and boating particularly appealing to him. On his high school team in Wilkes-Barre he played right guard.

Dr. Gittings married May 1, 1916, Hazel Anita Coba, of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, who died December 21, 1917, leaving a daughter, Hazel Jean.

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**CHARLES EDWIN SNYDER**—From the age of twenty-one years, Mr. Snyder has been engaged in commercial life, his activities having taken a wide range both in variety and location. He is now secretary and treasurer



of Kurtz Brothers, manufacturers and contractors of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, a position he has held since 1916. Charles E. Snyder is a son of William H. Snyder, born August 1, 1833, at Bangor, Pennsylvania, son of Charles K. Snyder, and great-grandson of Leonard Snyder, a farmer of Plainfield township in Northampton county, Pennsylvania.

(I) Leonard Snyder married a Miss Abel, and they were the parents of four sons and two daughters: James, a blacksmith; Charles K., grandfather of Charles E. Snyder; Leonard, Jr., a substantial farmer of Forks township in the same county; Joseph; Lena and Elizabeth, Mrs. Henry Messenger and Mrs. Hazzard, respectively. The family were highly esteemed members of their communities.

(II) Charles K. Snyder, son of Leonard Snyder, was born in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, April 18, 1807. He early learned the blacksmith trade, and for several years had a shop at Ackermanville. He also owned and cultivated a farm of one hundred and forty acres in South Bangor, and in 1843 settled in what is now the borough of Bangor. He purchased an additional fifty acres situated east of the borough, on which later a valuable slate quarry was opened, which is still being worked. Mr. Snyder did not foresee the great development that was to follow the opening of the slate quarries, and passed his life oblivious of the wealth lying beneath his acres, wealth that came abundantly to later owners. He was a member of the Mennonite church, a man of industry and uprightness, highly esteemed. He married Barbara Ackerman, who was born February 8, 1807, at Ackermanville, a village named in honor of the Ackermans. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder were the parents of four children, the only survivor a son, William H., of further mention. Charles K. Snyder died November 7, 1871; his wife died June 4, 1882.

(III) William H. Snyder, son of Charles K. and Barbara (Ackerman) Snyder, was born at Ackermanville, Pennsylvania, August 1, 1833, and there attended the public school until his twelfth year. In 1845 his family moved to Bangor, Pennsylvania, and there he finished his school life. He began his business life as his father's farm assistant, but later he began the manufacture of school slates, a business he continued for many years until his retirement. He is now living a quiet, retired life at his home, Broadway and Third street, Bangor, Pennsylvania. He has held many local offices, school director, election officer, town councilman and assessor, filling the last named office for twelve years. He is a Republican in politics, a member of the Masonic order, and both he and his wife are members of the United Evangelical church. William H. Snyder married, October 25, 1856, Julia A. Miller, born in Bangor, who there died January 15, 1917. Mrs. Snyder was a daughter of Manasseh and Mary (La Bane) Miller, her mother a daughter of Daniel La Bane, one of northern Northampton's settlers. Manasseh Miller was a wheelwright by trade, a skilled workman and a man of education, at one time a teacher. Manasseh and Mary Miller were the parents of seven children, including Julia A., born in Upper Mount Bethel township in 1835, married William H. Snyder. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder were the parents of three children, two now living: Amanda, married George M. Slack, a merchant of Bangor, Pennsylvania, now retired; and Charles Edwin, of further mention.

(IV) Charles Edwin Snyder, son of William H. and Julia A. (Miller) Snyder, was born in Bangor, Pennsylvania, August 28, 1859, and there attended public schools. From the Bangor schools he passed to the Pennsylvania State Normal School at Kutztown, and there qualified for a teacher's position. After graduation from State Normal he taught in the Bangor schools until attaining legal age, then entered mercantile life as clerk. His first position was with J. E. Long & Company, general merchants of Bangor, his term with that firm covering a period of three years. From Bangor he went to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where for a number of years he was en-

gaged in the dry-goods business. In 1885 he returned to Bangor and there he was a partner with his father in slate manufacturing. In 1888 they dissolved, and Charles E. Snyder accepted a position as bookkeeper with the Bangor Slate Company. Two years later he was appointed superintendent and manager of the same company, holding that position for five years, until 1895, in which year he located in Shirley, Indiana, where with a partner, F. C. Grote, of Cincinnati, Ohio, he established a plant for the manufacture of chemicals, an enterprise with which Mr. Snyder was connected until 1899. He had gained four years valuable experience in chemical manufacture, and after leaving Shirley entered the employ of the Indiana Chemical Company at Fortville, Indiana, holding a responsible position with that company until 1903, when he transferred his services to the Du Pont Powder Company at Bluffton, Indiana, as assistant manager. He remained with the powder company but a short time, then accepted appointment as auditor of the Muncie, Hartford & Fort Wayne Railroad Company, with office headquarters at Eaton, Indiana. He remained in the auditor's office until 1906, when the road was consolidated with the Indiana Union Traction Company, Mr. Snyder then being transferred to the position of chief claim adjuster of the merged roads, with office headquarters at Anderson, Indiana. He only remained in the adjuster's office six months, then resigned and became general manager of Indiana Normal University at Muncie, Indiana. After concluding his engagement with the university, he returned to Bangor, and was for a short time office manager for the Bangor Silk Mill Company. In 1912 he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Utilities Company at Easton, Pennsylvania, but in July of the same year he became assistant treasurer of the Macan Junior Company, jobbers of mill supplies. He efficiently filled that position, as he had all others, until elected, December 1, 1917, secretary-treasurer of the Kurtz Brothers Company, manufacturers and contractors of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

This wonderfully extended and varied business experience has left Mr. Snyder thoroughly furnished, self-reliant and unafraid in the face of any emergency. That hard school of experience has toughened and trained every faculty to its highest efficiency, and he is yet but in the prime of his splendid powers. He resides in Easton, and there is deeply interested in the United Evangelical Church Sunday school and societies. He is superintendent of the Mission Sunday school, president of the Christian Endeavor Society, chorister of the Sunday school, and in 1917 was president of the Northampton County Christian Endeavor Union. He is independent in political action, guiding his course with clear judgment, as different men and policies are presented for his consideration. He is a member of the fraternal order of Easton, Mystic Circle No. 2131, and was one of the charter members of Herd No. 1, Loyal Order of Buffaloes, of Bangor, also serving for three years as trustee.

Mr. Snyder married, October 1, 1891, in Bethlehem, Mrs. Mary A. Martin, of Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder are the parents of four children: 1. Miriam O., born October 17, 1893. 2. Raymond C., born June 7, 1899; an enlisted soldier of the United States, was with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, returned home on his twentieth birthday, after serving eighteen months, fifteen months in France, most of this time with the air defense at Camp Le Bourget, France, designed to protect Paris from air raids. 3. Teresa C., born January 1, 1901, a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1918. 4. Cleo E., born December 19, 1904.

**HENRY HARRIS GREINER**—Since leaving the schoolroom, Henry H. Greiner has been connected with the retail jewelry business as apprentice, journeyman and merchant, being now Bethlehem's leading jeweler. He began in his native Lebanon, and there and in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, his

entire life has been spent. He is a son of Henry B. Greiner, who for thirty-two years was a manufacturer and dealer in harness in Lebanon, Pennsylvania. He died March 11, 1907, in Bethlehem. He married Margaret A. Harris, who survives him, residing with her only child, Henry H., in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Henry Harris Greiner was born in Lebanon, Pennsylvania, November 24, 1879, and there obtained a good public school education. After leaving school he at once became a jeweler's apprentice, and for four years he was under the instruction of J. C. Schmidt, who pronounced him a capable watchmaker at the end of his term of apprenticeship. He began his experience as a journeyman watchmaker with Caesar Spiegler, of Bethlehem, a well known jeweler, with whom he remained another four years, then on May 1, 1904, began business in his own name. He has prospered abundantly, and his fine jewelry stores with handsome furnishings and carefully selected stock are Bethlehem's most attractive and popular stores. On April 1, 1916, he purchased the building at No. 12 East Third street, Bethlehem, South Side, and there opened his second jewelry store. At this time he also bought the building in which his Bethlehem store was located, and his investment in the two buildings, exclusive of stock, was over \$40,000. On November 18, 1918, he moved into still larger quarters in the new Kurtz building, and this magnificent store is one of the most beautifully equipped jewelry stores in Easton, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Greiner is affiliated with Bethlehem Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Zinzendorf Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bethlehem Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bethlehem Commandery, Knights Templar; and in the Scottish Rite has attained the thirty-second degree, being affiliated with Bloomsburg Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a noble of the Mystic Shrine, Rajah Temple, at Reading, Pennsylvania. Other fraternal orders with which he is affiliated are the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Tall Cedars of Lebanon, the latter of Easton. He is a member of the Rotary Club; Owl Social Club; Yo Eddie Club of Bethlehem, the latter a club formed to supply the local soldiers at the front with tobacco and other comforts, and was largely responsible for the reception and entertainment of Bethlehem's returning soldiers and sailors. He is a member of Salem Lutheran Church; the American Optical Society of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of Bethlehem Lodge No. 191, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Greiner married, June 29, 1904, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Ida A. Sandt, of Bethlehem, daughter of John L. and Eliza S. (Rohn) Sandt, both parents deceased. They are the parents of a son, Henry Sandt, born April 18, 1914. The family home is at No. 71 East Broad street. Mr. Greiner has a farm of one hundred and sixty-seven acres, located in Bethlehem township, and his interest in the upbuilding and cultivation of this property never wanes. It is, in fact, his present-day hobby.

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**HENRY KRAEMER**—Henry Kraemer, retired manufacturer of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, may almost be termed one of the pioneers of that borough; certainly he may be described as one of its pioneer manufacturers and also as perhaps its leading manufacturer. His hosiery mill, which he established in 1886, was the second industry to be established in Nazareth, and only a few months after the first industry, a lace mill, owned by Sahnesbeli, had been started. At the time of his coming, Nazareth had a population of only about seven hundred, but is now a town of more than five thousand, a recognized industrial centre.

Henry Kraemer was born in Berleburg, Westphalia, on March 14, 1859, and came to the United States in 1878. Soon after landing he joined his uncle at Reading, Pennsylvania, where his uncle was prospering in independent





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business. Young Kraemer soon familiarized himself with the details of the business, and remained as bookkeeper in the employ of his relative for seven years. In 1886 he decided to venture into business for himself and removed to Nazareth for that purpose. His capital was only a few hundred dollars, but he was possessed of an optimistic spirit and marked enterprise. He was also a man of the balance necessary to know full well the true value of a dollar. His enterprise, therefore, began unostentatiously, bearing right proportion to his capital, and so he built firmly. His first hosiery mill was established in an abandoned machine shop, and there being a good market he soon found steady employment for about forty people. Although his manufactured product found a ready and good market, it may be imagined that the business needed very close attention during its early years because of the smallness of his capital; it nevertheless went steadily ahead, and in a few years outgrew its original quarters. A second building was erected, and in 1892 the number of persons who found steady employment in the mills of Mr. Kraemer had increased to one hundred and fifty. In that year fire destroyed the whole plant, buildings, machinery and stock thus becoming a total loss. However, earnest, indefatigable business application and foresight had given Mr. Kraemer such protection that, coupled with excellent credit, he was able to rebuild his plant, and on a larger scale, without delay. Very soon the plant was again in full operation, and had capacity for two hundred employees. For twenty-five years Mr. Kraemer continued to give the closest application to the business and enjoyed consistent prosperity, and at the end of that time felt that he might safely place some of the responsibility for the proper conduct of the mills upon other shoulders. An incorporated company was organized, in which Mr. Kraemer became the principal stockholder, and he held a directing hand by holding a seat on the board of the company, but the arrangement enabled him to pass most of the detail work of the factory onto others. The mill still stands as one of the leading industries of Nazareth.

Mr. Kraemer has always been ready to further with his financial support and administrative experience any worthy enterprise that held prospects of advancement for the borough. When it was proposed to develop the known cement deposits, Mr. Kraemer entered enthusiastically into the project, becoming a substantial stockholder in the first enterprise, co-operating with the late Dr. Bachman and W. B. Shaffer. They supported the venture until its value had been fully demonstrated, by which time several such industries had been started, all enhancing the prosperity of Nazareth. Mr. Kraemer has never been by inclination a monopolist, and has been quite content in seeing others with whom he co-operated and aided being as well off as himself. He has given financial assistance and advice to many a man whose industry might otherwise have failed to bring the full returns for earlier efforts, and he has thus steadily kept the town of his adoption in consistent healthy growth. And he interested himself in the civic affairs of the community. For fifteen years continuously he sat on the school board, and during the period the steady growth of the place made essential extensions of the educational facilities necessary. That the board kept pace with the demand was in great measure due to the optimism and foresight of Mr. Kraemer and of others such as he who were his colleagues. For three years he consented to act as chief Burgess of Nazareth, introducing many improvements during his period of office, such as sewage and water systems, street lighting, police and fire departments.

Although he is keenly interested in politics, Mr. Kraemer has never sought office in national politics. He is a Democrat of unfaltering type, but has not had time to participate in national campaigns. For five years, however, he sat on the County Prison Board.

Mr. Kraemer's home, which was erected twenty-two years ago, is pleasantly situated on Centre square, in the heart of the town. His hospitality is

so well known and so genuine, and Mr. Kraemer has for so long been one of the leaders of the community, that it is perhaps not surprising to find Mr. Kraemer's home the centre and meeting place of a host of friends of long standing. Mr. Kraemer is a good sportsman, and the walls of his house are adorned by many specimens of the furred and feathered species that inhabit the wild, unfrequented parts of the State and have fallen to the gun of Mr. Kraemer and been admirably preserved by taxidermic skill. Mr. Kraemer has also during his active life been prominently identified with the local proceedings of fraternal organizations; he is a master Mason and an Elk, and has given good support to the local lodges.

Mr. Kraemer married (first), November 1, 1883, at Reading, Pennsylvania, Anna Mack, of that place. She died in 1893, and Mr. Kraemer married (second), Anna Laura Mauger, of Pottstown, Pennsylvania. Mr. Kraemer has four children, all of whom were born to his first wife. They are: 1. Louisa, unmarried, and lives at home. 2. Emma, unmarried and living at home. 3. Carl, unmarried, who early enlisted in the United States Army during the World War. 4. Will, unmarried, who is superintendent of a National Ash Plant at Stockerton, Pennsylvania. He served in the One Hundred and Forty-fifth United States Infantry, and saw active service in the Lorraine, and was wounded in action.

**LAFAYETTE STEUBEN GARNIER**—The Garniers are an ancient French family of Normandy, Vendome being the home of several generations. The grandfather of Lafayette S. Garnier, merchant of Easton, was born in Vendome, and for many years drove an express route between Paris and Vendome, his team of Normandy horses always hitched in tandem style. When the vandal Prussians came he lost all his property, and he joined his son, Adrian B., in this country. He died in Rutherford, New Jersey. He had five children: Anatole, Alfred, Adrian B., of further mention; Albert, a soldier of the Union, who died in the United States Soldiers' Home at Kearney, New Jersey; Augusta, came to the United States and married. Albert Garnier, the famous French billiard expert, was a member of the same family, and the beautiful opera house in Paris was the design of another member, both second cousins of Lafayette S. Garnier, of Easton.

Adrian Baptiste Garnier was born in Vendome, a city of France, capital of an arrondissement in the department of Loiret Cher, in 1830, and died in the village of Mount Bethel, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, September 11, 1909. He was of Norman ancestry, and among his relatives was the famous French architect, Paul Garnier, the designer of many of the greatest of edifices in the French capital. He was a great traveler, and before reaching legal age had been to Africa and many European countries. In 1851 he came to the United States, first locating in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, there meeting Rachel Ann Stier, who later became his wife. She was a daughter of Jacob Stier, who owned a large pottery in Upper Mount Bethel, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and the head of a large family, two of his sons becoming prominent in county politics. After his marriage, Mr. Garnier lost none of his desire for travel, and after establishing a home and profitable business in Elizabeth, New Jersey, is next found in the West, where gold was discovered in California. In the early sixties he went to Cuba, there becoming overseer of a plantation. After his return to the United States he became interested in oil well drilling, and at the time oil was discovered in the Parkersburg district of West Virginia, he was engaged by Colonel Glantz, an oil operator, to go to that field and drill. Mr. Garnier had learned the machinist's trade in France, and was a good, practical man in mechanical work. He continued in West Virginia as a contractor of oil well drilling, then removed to Quincy, Illinois, but after a few years there he returned East, locating in Altoona, Pennsylvania. In 1880 he moved to Easton, Pennsyl-

vania, and established the business of A. B. Garnier & Son, stoves and hardware, No. 118 Northampton street, which is still conducted by his son. He continued active in the business until a few months before his death, but the desire for travel never left him and he made several visits to France during the last twenty years of his life. On one of these journeys he was an official interpreter at the Paris Exposition. He took an enthusiastic interest in all movements for Easton's improvement and upbuilding, and was one of the city's ardent champions. Several months prior to his death he expressed a desire to go into the country, a wish that was gratified by his long-time friends, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Reichard, at whose home in Mount Bethel he died.

Mr. Garnier married a second wife, Mrs. Sarah (Weyganth) Miller. By his first wife he had a son, Lafayette Steuben, of further mention, and a daughter, Madeline, who during President Cleveland's administration was appointed a proofreader in the Post Office Department of the United States Government at Washington, and was in full charge of all parcel post readings. She was a fine linguist, speaker of several languages, and was acting interpreter for the department. She continued in her position until her death, August 29, 1918. During her school life in France she was a classmate of a daughter of Lord John Russell, of England, also of a daughter of the King of Italy. Sarah Weyganth married (first), Dr. Miller, a brother of the "Poet of the Sierras," Joaquin Miller. Several years after his death, Mrs. Miller became the wife of Adrian B. Garnier, and at their home Joaquin Miller wrote "The Forty-Niners," one of his famous productions, his sister-in-law, Sarah (Miller) Garnier, taking it down from his dictation.

Lafayette Steuben Garnier, son of Adrain B. and Rachel Ann (Stier) Garnier, was born at Elizabeth, New Jersey, November 24, 1859. He there spent his youth, obtaining his education in the public schools and at St. Francis College, Loretto, Pennsylvania, spending three years at the last named institution. He then returned to the family home, which was then in Easton. He was then seventeen years of age, and as an entrance into business life became a clerk with Patterson Brothers, hardware dealers, at No. 27 Park Row, New York City. That position gave him his liking and training for the hardware business, and three years later he resigned, returned to Easton, and spent two years with H. M. Norton, hardware dealer at Second and Northampton streets. He then joined his father, they establishing a general hardware business under the firm name of A. B. Garnier. Ten years later the firm name became A. B. Garnier & Son, so continuing until the father's death in 1909, when the name became A. B. Garnier's Son. Until the war with Germany, Mr. Garnier conducted a roofing department in connection with his business, his present line being hardware, guns, ammunitions and sporting goods. The business still is located at No. 118 Northampton street and has always been a prosperous one, and the Garniers, father and son, rated business men of the first quality. Lafayette S. Garnier is an ardent Democrat, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and a man greatly liked and esteemed.

Mr. Garnier married, in Easton, in 1885, Catherine Fahl, born in Cressona, Pennsylvania, daughter of Jonathan and Mary Ann Fahl. Mr. and Mrs. Garnier are the parents of three children: 1. Russell, born October 4, 1887; now associated in business with his father; married Ruth Vanatta, and has a son, Lafayette Adrian. 2. Tunis Sanford, born in Easton, August 26, 1889; associated with his father. 3. Anna, born June 22, 1893, residing with her parents.

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**REV. ALBERT M. KORVES**—The youngest of seven children born to Albert and Agnes (Buckschulter) Korves, of the Altenlingen province of Hanover, Germany. Father Korves came to the United States upon attaining



legal age, as did his brother, Rev. Bernard Korves, of Ludwig's Roman Catholic Church, Philadelphia. Another brother, also a priest, remained in Germany, and is now deceased. Another brother also came to the United States, Henry Korves, who is a contractor of South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. A sister became a nun of the Order of St. Francis. Albert Korves, the father, was a farmer, and gave his children all possible advantages under the conditions prevailing.

Albert M. Korves was born March 23, 1859, and until 1880 remained in his native land, there acquiring a good education in the State schools. In 1880 he came to the United States, and later prepared for the priesthood at St. Vincent's College near Latrobe, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, there completing a classical course which was supplemented by courses in philosophy and theology at St. Charles Seminary, Overbrook, Pennsylvania. Both these institutions are famed schools of the Roman Catholic church. He was ordained a priest on May 23, 1891, and was assigned to St. Joseph's parish, Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, as assistant. After eighteen months at St. Joseph's he was transferred to the Church of the Holy Ghost, South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, as assistant, and a year later to the Church of St. John the Baptist, at Pottsville, Pennsylvania, where he remained as assistant pastor four and a half years. After a short term of service at St. Paul's Church, Reading, and a brief period as assistant pastor in charge of the Church of the Sacred Heart at Allentown, Pennsylvania, he was sent to St. Ludwig's of Philadelphia, where he served as assistant for three and a half years to his brother, Rev. Bernard Korves, who was the permanent rector. From December, 1902, until November, 1911, he was pastor of St. Bonifacius Church at St. Clair, Pennsylvania, there accomplishing a great deal for both the material and spiritual good of the parish.

In November, 1911, he was installed pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Easton, and has since been the faithful, beloved leader of that church. The church has been almost entirely rebuilt during his pastorate, and is considered the finest in the county and equal to any in eastern Pennsylvania, outside the largest cities. St. Joseph's Cemetery was bought and improved under the direction of Father Korves, and a grammar school employing four teachers in the training of two hundred and twenty pupils from the two hundred and fifty families of the parish is maintained. The patriotic spirit of the parish runs high; fifty-two men have gone from St. Joseph's into the United States Army and Navy. Father Korves has won his way to the hearts of his people, and the spiritual life of the parish has kept pace with its temporal property.

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**JAMES MILTON YEAKLE**—On the home farm on the Nazareth road, one-half mile from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, James Milton Yeakle, the well known carriage manufacturer, was born. His father, Peter Yeakle, upon coming from Germany in 1830, settled in what was then called Smoketown. Peter Yeakle, a Bavarian by birth, married in Germany, where six of his children were born of that marriage, one of whom, Lizzie, wife of Joseph Yeager, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, is yet living. He came to Pennsylvania in 1830, and married, second, in Bethlehem, Margaret Johanna Zobel, who was born in Germany. They were the parents of the following children: Catherine, unmarried; James Milton, of further mention; Mary, married Ferdinand Yost, of Bethlehem. Peter Yeakle was a farmer, and these children were born at the home farm near Bethlehem.

James Milton Yeakle was born March 28, 1860, and attended the public schools of Bethlehem and the Moravian Parochial School, his parents having moved to that town. He early began working on the farm in vacation periods, and later devoted all his time to that occupation. He continued farming until he was twenty years of age, then became an apprentice to Henry Sillers, who





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taught him the carriage builder's trade. For ten years after finishing his apprenticeship he continued to work at his trade as a journeyman, becoming an expert in carriage-making. Finally he decided to use his skill and knowledge for his own benefit and, renting the shop on Broad street, Bethlehem, where he had learned his trade, he began business for himself. He prospered to such an extent that he built a new and modern carriage-building plant, into which he moved two years after beginning business for himself, which building he still occupies. This plant, built on the rear of the lots fronting on Linden street, consists of two three-storied buildings, one 30 by 68 feet, the other 30 by 30 feet. On the front of the lot he has built a fine pressed brick front building, which is used by the Packard Motor Car Company as a sales and service station. As a manufacturer of carriages, Mr. Yeakle has won high reputation, and at his plant a great amount of high-class work is turned out. He understands the practical side of his business from the rough frame to the finished product, and his years of experience have developed wise management and executive ability.

Not less prominent is he in public than in business life, for his service covered over eleven years as councilman and four years as burgess of Bethlehem. He was the last burgess elected prior to the consolidation of the three Bethlehems into the city of Bethlehem. His term also witnessed the end of the discussion concerning the advisability of a "hill to hill" bridge to connect Bethlehem with South Bethlehem and West Bethlehem. Burgess Yeakle was an ardent supporter of the plan from its inception, and his persistent advocacy was a helpful factor in its final adoption. The money needed to erect the viaduct is fully subscribed, but it was thought wise to defer erection of the bridge until the edge of the great war should release more steel for structural purposes. That happy time has just arrived (November 9, 1918) and soon the long looked for improvement will become a fact. Mr. Yeakle is a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, and has always been one of the men to aid with personal effort and means all movements for Bethlehem's improvement. He is a member of the Moravian church. In politics he is a Democrat.

Mr. Yeakle married, June 11, 1891, Fannie Irene Hummel, daughter of James R. and Elmina Hummel, of Bethlehem township, Northampton county, her father a substantial farmer of that section. Mr. and Mrs. Yeakle have no children.

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**WILSON MACKEY SKINNER, D.D.S.** Since 1908 Dr. Skinner has been a practitioner of dental surgery in the city of Easton, coming to this city after an eight years' residence and professional connection in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, the place of his birth. Though his change of residence was from one State to another, it was not nearly so radical in its professional relations, for he remained within easy reach of the clientele of his earlier practice.

Dr. Skinner is the son of Peter Wilson Skinner, born in 1844, who died in 1896, having been all of his life engaged in flour mill operations in New Jersey and the owner of the first roller process mill in that State. He was the son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Wilson) Skinner, the former a farmer of Carpenterville, New Jersey. Elizabeth (Wilson) Skinner was a daughter of Polly (Bryant) Wilson, a descendant of William Cullen Bryant. Peter Wilson Skinner married Catherine Osmun, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Wilson (Mackey) Osmun. Joseph Osmun, born in 1804, died in 1872; married, 1826, Elizabeth Mackey, born 1802, died 1885, were Warren county, New Jersey, people. Elizabeth (Mackey) Osmun was a daughter of Jeremy and Magdalene (Titman) Mackey, born respectively 1774, 1779, died respectively, 1850, 1857, at Belvidere, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Skinner were the parents of three children: Joseph Osmun, a lawyer of New York City,



who for several years was assistant district attorney of that place; Jennie Lois, a teacher in the public schools of New York City; and Wilson Mackey.

Dr. Wilson Mackey Skinner, son of Peter Wilson and Catherine (Osmun) Skinner, was born in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, July 9, 1878. There he attended the public schools, being graduated from the high school in the class of 1897, then choosing the dental profession as the field of his life work and entering the dental department of the University of Pennsylvania. Even before the endowment of the splendid Evans dental department at the University, which is excelled by none in the country, the dental school at Pennsylvania bore high reputation, and in 1900 Dr. Skinner was graduated therefrom. His professional practice began in that year, but he has ever been a tireless student, and few men have kept in closer touch with the advances and changes in their callings than has Dr. Skinner with all of the discoveries and improvements in dental surgery. He has taken post-graduate courses in orthodontia and the application of the X-Ray to dental surgery, and has added X-Ray machines to his Easton office equipment, being the first dental surgeon in his city to make practical use of the relation of Roentgenology to his profession. He graduated from the Williams School of Orthodontia, of Ithaca, New York. An enviably large clientele is silent testimony to his standing in the dental circles of the city, and among his fellow practitioners he is known as an able and talented surgeon, a firm supporter of the best ethics of the profession, and a strong believer in the value of the interchange of ideas and theories through the medium of professional organizations. Dr. Skinner holds membership in the Easton Dental Association, the Lehigh Valley Dental Association, the Susquehanna Dental Association, and the Pennsylvania State and National associations. From 1900 until 1908 he was in practice in his native city, in the latter year opening offices in the Northampton National Bank building, of Easton, where he has since been located. His acquaintance in Easton is very large. He is a member of the Easton Board of Trade.

Dr. Skinner is a music lover in the fullest sense of the word, for his knowledge of the musical classics is wide, and he is a vocalist of no mean ability, having for several years sung in the church choirs of Easton and Phillipsburg. Another avocation from which he derives great enjoyment is the study of Biblical literature. He is a member of the International Bible Students' Association, and follows closely the work of that organization. In political action he follows an entirely independent course, being allied with no party. His busy and useful life, which contains so much more of potential service to his fellows, has been directed by high ideals and the firm resolve that is necessary to convert worthy ideals into acts that benefit those with whom a man lives.

Dr. Wilson Mackey Skinner married, April 15, 1903, Janet Bellemont, daughter of William and Ellen (Cousins) Speirs, who was born in Hawley, Pennsylvania. Her parents were natives of Scotland, coming to the United States in 1868, William Speirs being one of the pioneers in the silk manufacturing industry in this country. He located in Paterson, which has since become so prominent in that industry, and there organized the company which first successfully manufactured broad silk. The horizontal warping mill, which revolutionized the silk weaving industry and which is now in every large mill in the world, was his invention, and before his death, which occurred in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1918, he saw the business of which he had had so large a vision grow and develop far beyond his most hopeful dreams. Mr. Speirs was prominent in many circles in Paterson, New Jersey, and was a past master of Orange Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of that place. Mrs. Skinner was reared in Paterson and Washington, New Jersey, and is a graduate of Blair Hall, Blairstown, New Jersey. Mrs. Skinner shares the musical tastes of her husband, and is an active member of the Women's

Club, especially interested in the literary, dramatic and musical chapters. Dr. and Mrs. Skinner are the parents of three children: William Frederick, Joseph Osmun, and Robert Gordon. The family home is at No. 120 Parker avenue, Easton, their country home at Roxbury, New Jersey.

**FRED D. KUTZ**—Now (summer of 1919) a candidate in the primaries for the Democratic nomination for the office of sheriff of Northampton county, Fred D. Kutz bids fair to receive the full support of his party and that of his political and personal friends when the choice is finally made. He is a native son of Easton, his father, Daniel L. Kutz, now deceased, also born in 1837 in Northampton, his birthplace a farm not far from the city of Bethlehem. He died in Easton in 1906. Daniel L. Kutz obtained his education in the district schools, but when a boy his parents moved to Easton, where the father engaged in the furniture business in what was later known as the Kutz building on Northampton street, the site of the present Fox & Fulmers. Daniel L. Kutz, after finishing school, began working in his father's furniture store and became thoroughly familiar with the business, and when it was finally closed out by the elder Mr. Kutz, Daniel L. and his brother John Kutz established a combined hardware and harness store business, also operating a carriage-building shop and a livery barn, the latter in the rear of their place of business on Church street. After the death of John Kutz, Daniel L. Kutz continued the business several years, finally retiring to a life of contented ease, which continued until his death at his home, No. 626 Ferry street, at the age of seventy-three. Daniel L. Kutz was a lifelong Democrat and a veteran of the Civil War. He served as a member of Easton's School Board for several years, and was a member of the First Lutheran Church. He married Anna Griffith, of Easton, who died in Easton at No. 833 Walnut street, aged seventy-three years, daughter of Henry and Mary Griffith. Children: Fred D., of further mention; Myra E., of Easton.

Fred D. Kutz was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1871, and educated in the public schools. After school years were over he began business life as a clerk, but later he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, remaining with the Lehigh for seventeen years, holding various positions. After retiring from railroad employ he established in private business as a contractor of cement construction of various kinds, his business location, Easton. He is a Democrat in politics, and is slated as candidate for the party nomination for sheriff of Northampton county. He is a member of Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Jacksonian Club, and both he and his wife are member of Christ Lutheran Church.

Mr. Kutz married, in Easton, September 7, 1893, Margaret E. Beers, daughter of John R. and Mary (Eckert) Beers, her father now alderman of Easton, representing the Sixth Ward, his life reviewed at length in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Kutz are the parents of a daughter, Margaret A.

**WILLIAM JOSEPH HUMMEL**—For ten years William Joseph Hummel has been engaged in independent business operations in Bethlehem, although his connection with the city and his participation in its industrial activity covers a much greater period of years. Mr. Hummel is a son of James R. Hummel, born at Hummel's Mill, Hanover township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, who for the past fifteen years (1919) has lived retired after a busy and active career as a farmer and bridge builder. James R. Hummel was a prominent figure in the life of his township and county during the years prior to his retirement, and filled practically every office of the township, also serving a term as county commissioner. He retains his interest in the Lutheran church, in which he has been a devoted and lifelong worker. James R. Hummel married Eleima, daughter of William and Betsy Riegel,

of Hellertown, Pennsylvania, and they had the following children: Fannie, married J. M. Yeakle (q.v.); Ella, married Elmer Heller, they the parents of two children; Preston, engaged in the plumbing business in Bethlehem, married Amy Rietter, and they are the parents of seven children; William Joseph, of whom further.

William Joseph Hummel was born at Hummel's Mill, Hanover township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, March, 1873. He attended the country school in the vicinity of his home, and early in life was apprenticed to the Bethlehem Foundry & Machine Company, serving for four years. Subsequently he was employed by the Allentown Steel & Wire Company for two years, followed by seventeen years in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company in the capacity of foreman. His early and thorough training fitted him thoroughly for this responsible post, and his connection with the Bethlehem Steel Company was one enjoyable and profitable. In 1909 he put into practice an idea he had pondered for some time, opening a small auto repair shop under the name of the West Side Garage. The success that attended this venture is demonstrated by the fact that his first building was but 10 by 20 feet, while when he disposed of his business by sale he was proprietor of a garage that had a storage capacity of ninety cars. In June, 1917, Mr. Hummel purchased the Barber Transfer Line, a business of twenty-nine years standing, located at No. 20 East Market street, in 1918 building his own garage at his present address. Here he has a capacity of sixteen cars, which he operates in a taxicab service in Bethlehem, also conducting a baggage transfer, and the prompt and courteous service rendered the Bethlehem public has gained for his business, which operates as the Bethlehem Transfer Company, an enviable reputation. Mr. Hummel is a communicant of Trinity Lutheran Church, fraternizes with the Bethlehem Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and is a strong Republican in political faith. For many years Mr. Hummel served on the Republican County Committee, for three years was assessor of Bethlehem, but now confines his political activity to general support of his party.

Mr. Hummel married, April 30, 1900, Jennie, daughter of Carl and Ernestina Bleamer, her parents both natives of Germany, who, when young, made their homes in Easton, Pennsylvania. Children of William Joseph and Jennie (Bleamer) Hummel: Iva, Ernestine, Charles, James, Paul, died aged six years, and Betty Jane.

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**TOBIAS B. CLAUSER**—The business connection of Mr. Clauser with the town of Seidersville covers a period of more than forty years, and during that time he has grown into many and enjoyable intimate relations in that town, serving it in public office as far as his private affairs would permit and discharging at every turn the duties of good citizenship. As postmaster and member of the board of education he has had opportunity to serve his fellows, and as a member of the official board of the Lutheran church he has worked diligently in behalf of his denomination and for the maintenance of a high moral standard in Seidersville.

Mr. Clauser is a son of Daniel and Susan (Brumbach) Clauser, both of Berks county, Pennsylvania, where Daniel Clauser was for thirty-five years a justice of the peace, his death occurring in 1878. They were the parents of fourteen children, of whom four, Daniel, Mallon, Simon and Tobias B., survive. Simon Clauser is a veteran of the Civil War, as were his brothers, Orlando and Levi, the last named gaining the rank of lieutenant.

Tobias B. Clauser was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, May 17, 1856. He attended the public schools in the place of his birth, and at the age of fourteen years began his business career as a clerk in a store near his home, in which employ he continued for nine years. On October 20, 1878, Mr. Clauser assumed the management of the business he now owns, which had







James L. Schooley



Fannie R. Schooley



formerly been the old established store of his father-in-law, Jacob Markle, the building having been erected and the store opened in 1858. Mr. Clauser has altered the building, and has become the head of a thriving business, receiving a generous patronage in the town because of a firmly established reputation for absolute fairness in his dealings and for the uniform high quality of the goods he carries. His line is a general one, and his store enjoys the merited confidence of the community.

For twenty-eight years Mr. Clauser was postmaster of Seidersville, receiving his first appointment from President Cleveland, and filling that office until the Seidersville community came under the service of the South Bethlehem office. Like his father, Mr. Clauser is a Democrat in politics, although he has never entered extensively into public life. For one term he was a school director, and has served as president and secretary of the local Board of Education. He fraternizes with the Loyal Order of Moose, belonging to the South Bethlehem Lodge, and for many years he has been a deacon and elder of the Lutheran church, also filling the position of secretary of the church organization for one term.

Mr. Clauser married, October 20, 1877, Julia, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Harris) Markle, her father dying in 1878, aged sixty-one years, her mother's death occurring in September, 1900. Mrs. Clauser, the mother of four children, is an invalid. She bears her burden of physical infirmity with a patience and cheer that is the expression of a Christian character of rare strength and beauty, and gave two sons to the service with an unfaltering patriotism. Children of Tobias B. and Julia (Markle) Clauser: 1. Amy, born November 27, 1882, married Thomas C. Siegfried, an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company; resides at Seidersville; they are the parents of one son, Woodrow Thomas, named in honor of the president and vice-president of the nation. 2. George Grover, born May 9, 1885, named for President Grover Cleveland; an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company; married Anna Sutton, of Hellertown, and they are the parents of three children. 3. Raymond Jacob, born April 22, 1887; a soldier in the United States Army. 4. Willis Edwin, born August 15, 1893, a soldier in the United States Army, served with the American Expeditionary Force in France.

**JAMES LOMASON SCHOOLEY** The Schooleys of Warren county, New Jersey, to which James Lomason Schooley belonged, sprang from John Schooley, who came from England to New Jersey in the year 1700. Some of his immediately descendants early settled in Burlington county, others settling at Schooley's mountain, a mountain ridge along the western border of Morris county, New Jersey, constituting a part of the Blue Ridge system. Schooley's mountain, the original home of the Schooleys and which bears their name, became one of the famous mountain resorts of the country, the natural beauties, mineral springs and pure air, attracting visitors from near and far. There Jedediah Schooley, a grandson of John Schooley, lived, he the son of Joseph P. Schooley, born in the township of Greenwich, Warren county, New Jersey, April 17, 1785. Other members of the family settled in Greenwich and at Bloomsbury, and there James Lomason Schooley was born. The Lomason family, with whom the Schooleys intermarried, has long been identified with the history of Warren county, the original settler being one Lambertson, who owned land on Scotts mountain. Lawrence Lomason, one of his grandsons, born in 1770, bought a farm near Broadway, Warren county, New Jersey, in 1799, and there reared a large family, some of his descendants later settling in Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

The Roseberry and Schooley families were united by the marriage of James L. Schooley to Fanny Roseberry, she a daughter of Joseph and Mary Louise (Leffler) Roseberry, and a descendant of John Roseberry, who settled in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, about 1740. Joseph Roseberry was a de-



scendant of John and Margaret (Phillips) Roseberry, and was the son of Joseph and Sallie (Vannatta-Climer) Roseberry, the latter a Widow Climer. Joseph Roseberry, the father, was the owner of a large farm, also owned and operated a line of canal boats. Mrs. Joseph Roseberry, widow, now of Easton, Pennsylvania, was the daughter of Christopher and Margaret (Lova) Leffler, who resided near Harmony, New Jersey. Christopher Leffler was the son of John Leffler, who with two brothers came to America from Germany. John Leffler settled in New Jersey, engaged in farming, became a large land owner, presenting to each of his eight sons a good farm. He also had two daughters. He lived to be over ninety years of age. John Roseberry owned fifteen hundred acres, including the site of Phillipsburg, his lands extending from Andover Furnace and Greensbridge to Marble mountain and nearly to Watertown. John Roseberry married Margaret Phillips, daughter of William Phillips, in whose honor Phillipsburg was named. William Phillips was a descendant of Rev. George Phillips, who arrived from England with Governor Winthrop, June 12, 1630, settled at Salem, and founded the Congregational church in America. Mary Louise Roseberry, mother of Fanny (Roseberry) Schooley, is yet a resident of Easton, Pennsylvania, and recently was present at a meeting in the newly completed Sunday school building of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, seated with her granddaughter, Florence May Schooley, daughter of James L. and Fanny (Roseberry) Schooley. The significance of this attendance was better understood later when the pastor, Dr. Ford, announced the gift of ten thousand dollars from Miss Schooley for the new Sunday school building, also a handsome Weber grand piano. Dr. Ford spoke most feelingly of the care and Christian culture Miss Schooley had received through her grandmother, and how they had been for years among the most loyal members of the church and Sunday school. Charles P. Ayers, president of the board, in accepting this gift, stated that the board of trustees had already taken action, and that a fine bronze tablet would be placed in a suitable position and that the building would be called the Florence May Schooley Bible School building.

James Schooley, of the Warren county, New Jersey, branch, descending from John Schooley, of Schooley's mountain, was a farmer of Greenwich township, his farm located near Bloomsbury. He married Elizabeth Witte, also of a New Jersey family, and they were the parents of James Lomason Schooley, to whose memory this review of an ancient and honorable family is dedicated.

James Lomason Schooley was born at the home farm near Bloomsbury, Warren county, New Jersey, December 2, 1858, and died in Easton, Pennsylvania, December 13, 1898. He grew to manhood at the home farm, obtaining a public school education, and in due time learning the carpenter's trade. About the year 1898 he located in Easton, Pennsylvania, but later in that same year he died. He was a well known contractor of New Jersey and Easton, was concerned in a great deal of railroad construction work in the line of his business, and erected many buildings in Easton, Phillipsburg and other towns. He was a man of high principle and sound judgment, and liked by all who knew him, being one of those men of action whose deeds speak louder than their words.

Mr. Schooley married, Fanny Roseberry, born November 3, 1860, in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, daughter of Joseph and Mary Louise (Leffler) Roseberry. They were the parents of an only child, Florence May Schooley, of Easton.

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**ADAM L. KOTZ, M.D.**—Although still serving a limited office clientele, Dr. Kotz devotes himself largely to his duties as pathologist to Easton Hospital, Easton, a position he accepted in 1913. He came to the staff of Easton



Florence M. Schooley









Joseph Roseberry



Mary L. Roseberry



Hospital after twenty years association with St. Luke's Hospital as pathologist, his professional life having been spent in Easton, he coming to the city with his newly acquired degree M.D. in 1881. He has won the honors of his profession through hard study and devoted interest, his desire to be of true service to his fellow men, and a thorough knowledge of the science to which he has devoted his life. He is a son of John H. and Sarah (Yeisley) Kotz, his father a farmer of Forks township, and of ancient Northampton county family.

Adam L. Kotz was born at Sandts City, Forks township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, March 17, 1856. His education, begun in country public schools, was continued at Trach's Academy, Easton, and at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, the last named conferring the degree M.D. upon her son at graduation, class of 1881. Upon receiving this high authority to practice medicine, Dr. Kotz located in Easton, April 25, 1881, began practice, remaining seven years, until 1888. In that year he went abroad, and for one year pursued a course of intensive study and laboratory work in Vienna clinics under the highest instruction which those clinics afforded, specializing in pathology and bacteriology. In 1889 he returned to Easton and resumed practice. For twenty years he was pathologist to St. Luke's Hospital, and since 1913 has maintained the same relation to Easton Hospital, conducting a large private practice in connection with his hospital work, until in recent years only a restricted number of office patients are cared for. His research work has been of inestimable value to medical science, and he has contributed largely to the literature of his profession through American and foreign medical journals. Dr. Kotz is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, Pathological Society of Philadelphia, American Microscopical Society, and American Society for the Advancement of Science. He is one of the "old school" scholarly physicians to whom the ethics of the medical profession are a sacred trust, and is honored both by profession and laity. As a pathologist he has attained high rank, his reputation extending far beyond local and State limits.

Dr. Kotz married, May 27, 1885, Susan C. Hay. They have no children.

**CHARLES FREDERICK AICHER**—A native son of Easton, and senior member of the firm, Aicher Brothers, of that city, Charles F. Aicher is a representative of the energetic, progressive men who have constantly labored not more for personal gain than for the general welfare of their city. He is a son of Frederick and Magdalena (Fisher) Aicher, both born in Baden, Germany, Frederick Aicher coming to the United States when young, his wife leaving Germany when a child of ten years. Frederick Aicher learned the shoemaker's trade, and until his death followed that trade in Easton. His father died during the passage from Europe, leaving his widow with four sons and two daughters, Frederick being the youngest and the last survivor of the family. He married in Easton and there led a quiet, industrious life, his only interest outside his work and his family being the church, he being a very active member, serving on the committee in charge of the building of St. Joseph's Church. He died, aged eighty-six years. Frederick and Magdalena (Fisher) Aicher were the parents of eleven children: Francis; Joseph; William, died in infancy; Andrew Albert, whose sketch follows; Mary, married Albert Lerch; Annie, married Albert Schaefer; Joseph; Charles; Jennie, married John Paramour; Charles Frederick, of further mention; and Edward.

Charles Frederick Aicher was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1868. He was educated in the schools of the city, parochial and public, and completed high school courses with the graduating class of 1887, then became a carpenter's apprentice, following that trade for three years. In 1900 he first engaged in the business he has conducted so successfully, Aicher Brothers.



ers being the largest firm of wholesale and retail wall-paper dealers and interior decorators in the county, and one of the largest in Eastern Pennsylvania. Their trade extends far beyond the city limits, and is built entirely upon the excellence of their work, quality of their merchandise and the fair, upright methods of transacting their business. Charles Frederick Aicher, senior member of the firm, is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, and one of the substantial, solid men of the city. He is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of St. John's Lutheran Church. Travel is his chief recreation, but business claims his almost exclusive attention, as its continual prosperity demands the same expert management that has made it one of Easton's most successful enterprises. In politics he is a Republican.

Charles F. Aicher married, in May, 1886, Emily L. Hilborn, daughter of Charles and Mary (Trittenbach) Hilborn, of Easton, formerly of Slatington, Pennsylvania, where Mrs. Aicher was born. They are the parents of seven sons: Ralph Frederick, associated with his father in business; Carl J., also engaged in the family business; Allen Chase, connected with the Aicher Brothers' business; Frank, an accountant, enlisted in the United States Army, in the medical depot stationed at Washington, District of Columbia; Lee, died in 1916; William B., an inspector in the service of the Government; Walter D., in the medical depot of the United States Army, stationed at Washington, District of Columbia.

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**ANDREW ALBERT AICHER**—The business interests of the city of Easton have long felt the influence of the Aicher name, the particular line in which members of that family have engaged being wall-paper and interior decoration.

Andrew Albert Aicher, son of Frederick and Magdalena (Fisher) Aicher, was born at the family home in Easton, No. 206 South Fourth street, and there he has ever since made his home. He attended public school until thirteen years of age, then began his lifelong connection with the wall-paper business, beginning as a paper-hanger apprentice. He served his time under Charles Crozet, and later worked as a journeyman with William H. Hazzard for several years. He made his first business venture in 1889, opening a wall-paper store at No. 102 South Third street, Easton, and from that year he has continued in the same business without a partner. For fifteen years, 1889-1904, he continued business at his original location, then removed to No. 154 Northampton street, there remaining until 1909, when he sold out to Mast & Newmeyer, and he resumed business at his present location, No. 3 Lane's court. On April 1, 1920, Mr. Aicher will have been connected with the wall-paper business as apprentice, journeyman and dealer for a full half-century, having begun a boy of thirteen in 1870. During that time he has fitted up and conducted three of the leading wall-paper stores of Easton, and is always alluded to in trade gatherings as the "father" of the wall-paper business in Easton. He is a man of energy and integrity, his reputation thoroughly established for fair dealing.

Mr. Aicher married, in Easton, April 7, 1877, Jennie J. Frederick, of Bethlehem, born July 2, 1856, died February 20, 1911, daughter of Jacob and Eliza Frederick. They were the parents of a son who died in infancy. An adopted child, Daisy Jennie, died aged fourteen years. She was born October 10, 1884, died February 20, 1898.

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**RICHARD M. JOHNSON**—Richard M. Johnson, a poor director of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and a resident of Nazareth, was born in Lower Nazareth township, September 13, 1846, son of Simon and Sarah (Seiple) Johnson. Simon Johnson was born in Palmer township, Pennsylvania, at Lower Nazareth, April 18, 1812, and his father, Martin Johnson,



*Richard M. Johnson*



came when a young man from Baden, Germany, and died here in 1846. Martin and his brother owned a farm of four hundred acres in Palmer, and later this tract was divided into four farms, Martin's farm, lying south of Nazareth, becoming the homestead of this branch of the family. Martin Johnson married a Miss Knecht, of Bushkill township, who survived her husband thirty years. They were the parents of five children: Simon, of further mention; Susanna, married John Wagner; Livina, married Solomon Hummel; Sibina, married Samuel Fair; and John, who died in Lower Nazareth in 1890.

Simon Johnson inherited the farm at South Nazareth, and in 1838 settled there with his wife Sarah, a daughter of Henry Seiple, of Lower Nazareth. She died in 1885, aged sixty-eight years, and he in 1902, at ninety years of age. Their thirty years of happy wedded life were spent at the homestead in South Nazareth. The tract of one hundred and two acres that Simon Johnson owned so long became, under his management, one of the most fertile in the township, and after his death Richard M. Johnson, acting as executor of his father's estate, sold it to William L. Shimer. Simon Johnson served on the School Board for ten years, and was one of the staunch Democrats of his town. He was a member of the Dry Land Reformed Church, and both he and his wife are buried in the cemetery of the church lot. They were the parents of nine children, one dying young: Susan M., married James Jacoby, both deceased; Sarah N., married Daniel Herman, both deceased; Marietta, married George Rhodes, both deceased; Angelina, now widow of Samuel Seigel, a resident of Bethlehem; Richard M., of further mention; William H. J., now an undertaker and funeral director of Easton; Savannah, widow of Stephen Beck, and a resident of Bethlehem; Cyrus S., a teacher for years, and an insurance broker, now deceased.

Richard M. Johnson grew to manhood at the home farm in South Nazareth, and early became its manager, and for twelve years after his marriage continued its operation. He then bought the hotel at the Fair Grounds, which became known as "Johnson's Hotel." This he turned into a popular cattle market, having commodious stables and sheds. He continued largely interested in stock raising, buying, selling and shipping to all points for thirty years. His purchases were largely from the nearby farmers, but he was widely known and he never declined business even if it came from distant parts. Mr. Johnson gave up the hotel in 1894 and moved to a house within the borough. In 1911 he was elected a member of the County Board of Poor Directors, and was treasurer of the board for eight years, and at present he is president of it. The poor farm consists of three hundred and twenty-five acres, is in the western part of Nazareth township, is well equipped and a modern institution, and it has all the latest improvements, which was largely due to Mr. Johnson's management. A herd of Holstein cattle, mostly selected by him, roam the farm pasture, and is considered one of the finest herds of Holsteins in Northampton county. Mr. Johnson is a member of the County Fair Association, and is interested in various enterprises. He is a shareholder in the Nazareth National Bank. He was a member of the Town Council of Nazareth. At his hotel property he once maintained a shooting range well equipped for the sport, and the Johnson House "Shoots" was one of the well known gun clubs of its time and holds records in the community. On one occasion a party county convention was held at the Johnson House which was a well known political centre. He was a member of the Northampton County Trap Club, a member of the Knights of Pythias, and attends St. John's Reformed Church.

Richard M. Johnson married, in 1873, Emma Beck, born in Nazareth in 1850, daughter of George and Esther (Kocher) Beck. George Beck was born in Lower Nazareth, where he died aged eighty-one years, and his wife died



here aged seventy-five years. Mrs. Emma (Beck) Johnson's paternal grandfather and mother were George and Elisabeth (March) Beck, old residents of this section.

**ELLSWORTH LINCOLN SIMMERS**—Daniel Simmers, a Chester county, Pennsylvania, farmer, married Julia Guest, and they were the parents of twelve children, Ellsworth Lincoln being the eleventh child. Two of the sons of Daniel Simmers served in the Civil War, Thomas and Robert. The father died in 1883, aged eighty-two years.

Ellsworth Lincoln Simmers was born in Warwick township, Chester county, Pennsylvania, June 21, 1861, and there lived the first fifteen years of his life, attending the district school and aiding in farm labor. In 1876 he became clerk in a Phoenixville (Pennsylvania) general store owned by Frank Kramer, with whom he remained eighteen months. His next employment was with the Philadelphia & Reading Express, continuing in that position eighteen months, receiving his pay in scrip part of the time, the panicky times of 1877 being on. He then went West, stopping for a time in Chicago and Omaha, finally settling in St. Joseph, Missouri, there being a passenger brakeman on the Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs railroad running between Council Bluffs and Kansas City. After six months' railroading he resigned and entered the employ of Towers & Gudgel, stockmen and cattle raisers, with ranches near the Colorado State line on the Cimarron river. Towers & Gudgel were at that time the largest cattle ranchers, owning sixty thousand head of cattle and five thousand horses. They shipped five thousand fat beefs to market each year, and were widely known in the cattle market. Mr. Simmers remained with this outfit for five years, going to Galveston, Texas, the second year in the interest of the firm, having the previous year been outside representative, looking up stray cattle. During the winter of 1882 he drove stages between Troehea and Tascosa on the Dodge City (Kansas) and Las Vegas (New Mexico) stage line. In 1883 he was with the drive of thirty-three hundred steers which were brought seven hundred miles north from Texas on the hoof and turned out to graze on the plateau between the Canadian and Cimarron rivers. In the spring of 1884 he was appointed by the company to gather all one and two-year-old steers, and on June 21 started north from the Cimarron river to his destination on the Big Beaver river in Montana, a distance of eleven hundred miles. Because of Texas fever among cattle that year the well beaten trails were not followed. On July 4 they crossed the Arkansas river, then went up the Big Sandy to Kit Carson, then a due northwesterly course across a country in which they did not meet a white person for eighteen days. The Burlington & Missouri railroad had just been completed to Denver, and the occasional smoke of a locomotive was a welcome sight. The drive ended safely on the Big Beaver in Montana, October 4, one hundred and ten days having been consumed on the way. The next winter, 1884, he returned to the old home in Chester county, Pennsylvania, but after a visit he returned West. Having become an expert cowboy and liking the work, he continued a foreman for the Triangle J. P. Company. In the spring of 1885, in the Little Missouri country, he was made captain of the "round up," covering one hundred and fifty miles of territory from the head of the river to Fort Buford, where the Little Missouri empties into the Yellowstone. There he met Colonel Roosevelt for the first time, the colonel having two small ranches in that section, the Elkhorn and Chimney Butte. This was in the section known as the Bad Lands, the area of those lands being entirely in North Dakota and Montana. Colonel Roosevelt was then absorbing his Western ranch training, and anxious to learn everything connected with ranching. Mr. Simmers was an expert with the lariat, having a record of roping sixty calves in an hour, this meaning that he "cut them out," roped, and threw them, and then applied

the heated brand. Colonel Roosevelt took many long rides with Mr. Simmers, and they became warm friends.

Mr. Simmers remained with the Triangle Company until the cattle were shipped, then drove seven hundred head to Mandan, North Dakota, there entering the employ of the Marquis de Mores Ranch Company, the marquis being the well known French nobleman who was later killed in North Africa, it is supposed by Arabs. He had established an abattoir at Medora, North Dakota, and was in direct competition with the big packers of Omaha and Chicago. Through the influence of Colonel Roosevelt and Marquis de Mores a school was started in Medora, the only available room being over a saloon, Mr. Simmers being prevailed upon to become the teacher. Dakota had not been divided into the States, North and South Dakota, and the same influence which established the school organized a new county, of which Mr. Simmers was elected probate judge. The next fall Judge Simmers removed to Chicago, there opening a saloon on Halstead street, but in November, 1886, there was a strike period and he was soon put out of business.

He was then employed to take a trainload of cattle from Chicago to Philadelphia, after which he became a road salesman for the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, and for thirteen years he covered South Jersey, Delaware and Eastern Pennsylvania in the interests of that company. In 1893 he married, and on June 1, 1900, he was appointed a member of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal Company's police force, and was in active service during all the strikes in the anthracite region during the period 1900-07. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant, and was in charge of the northern district of the Schuylkill coal region. In 1907 he resigned and was appointed by the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company as captain of police and assigned to duty at Sayre, Pennsylvania. In April, 1910, he was transferred to Easton, Pennsylvania, with the same rank, and assigned to duty on the New Jersey & Lehigh division. He filled that position very acceptably until March 31, 1916, when he resigned to enter the employ of the William Wharton, Jr., Company of Easton. His first work was assembling switches, then a time card system was installed, with Mr. Simmers as timekeeper. He held that position until January 8, 1917, when he was appointed to the Easton police force with the rank of lieutenant and as city detective, a position which he yet holds (1919). Lieutenant Simmers is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church; Mount Carmel Lodge No. 265, Free and Accepted Masons, of Philadelphia; Shamokin Lodge No. 149, Patriotic Sons of America, and in politics is a Republican.

Mr. Simmers married, in Shamokin, Pennsylvania, April 27, 1893, Carrie L. Roth, daughter of William C. and Dora (Bergstresser) Roth, of Shamokin. Children: Lena Lillian, married J. Wilson Harrison, of Easton; William Roth, was in the service of his country, serving as sergeant with Seventy-sixth Regiment, Field Artillery, with the Army of Occupation in Germany, stationed at Kottenheine.

In the stirring events of the past two years Lieutenant Simmers has had a part, having acted as chief clerk to the Easton Draft Board by request of the Town and City Council; while with the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company he took a course in the Scranton International Correspondence School, and while with the same company he was assistant to Mr. Mauger, general passenger agent and guide to educational tours on the Reading system, having normal and high schools visiting Washington, District of Columbia.

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**HARRY C. ZELLERS, D.D.S.**—Harry C. Zellers was born at the Zellers homestead in Williams township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, April 30, 1886. He completed public school study with graduation from Easton High School, class of 1903. Several years were then spent in the employ of

his father, who was then register of wills for Northampton county, after which he entered the dental department of the University of Pennsylvania. He pursued study there until 1913, graduating D.D.S. with the class of 1913. Following the conferring of his degree, Dr. Zellers opened dental offices in Easton, and has in the years which have since elapsed gained high reputation as a skilled exponent of dental art. He is a member of several societies, including Psi Omega; Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and in politics is a Democrat.

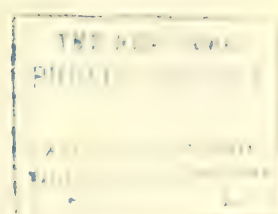
When the United States entered the World War in 1917, Dr. Zellers volunteered for service in the United States Dental Reserve Corps, was commissioned a lieutenant, but the armistice was signed before he was called into active service.

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**REUBEN KOLB**—Reuben Kolb is a well known figure in the life of Easton, Pennsylvania, with many of the local affairs, of which community he has been intimately associated for many years, and where he is at present engaged in the real estate and insurance business, is a native of Palmer township in this county, his birth taking place there February 15, 1837. Mr. Kolb is a son of John J. and Elizabeth (Stecker) Kolb, and a grandson of Leonard Kolb, a native of the town of Baan Brucken, Germany, where his death occurred in the year 1836 or 1837. The children of Leonard Kolb were as follows: Charles; Elizabeth; John J., who was the father of Reuben Kolb; and Jacob S., for a number of years was burgomaster of the town.

John J. Kolb, born at Baden, Germany, in 1812, and came to the United States in order to avoid military service in his native land. He made the voyage on a sailing vessel from Havre, and landed at New York, September 7, 1828, after a trip lasting forty-nine days. He was quite a young man at that time, and remained for a time in New Jersey, where he worked for a number of years. He had, however, relatives living in Williams township, in Northampton county, and after a time made his way to see them. Later he married Elizabeth Stecker, of Forks township, a daughter of Henry and Catherine (Lauchs) Stecker, and a granddaughter on the maternal side of a Revolutionary soldier. At the time of his marriage, the elder Mr. Kolb was working on a farm in Palmer township. Later he removed to Williams township, where he died at the age of eighty-seven years.

The birth of Reuben Kolb occurred in the old one-story log house situated about three and one-half miles from Easton. There his earliest childhood was spent, but when he was about three or four years of age his parents moved to the town of Easton, where he has since spent most of his life. It was after his parents' removal to Easton that Reuben Kolb began his school days, attending for this purpose the school held in a small building on Spring Garden street here. It is told of him that his first employment was given him at the age of four years, when a certain nearby neighbor, who was building a stone wall, used the lad to help him get the stones for his structure. He continued his studies at the local schools for a number of years, and at the age of eighteen began teaching school at Forks township, nearby. The young man displayed unusual talent in this profession, and for six years continued to follow it. As a matter of fact, he might have made it his life's career had he not felt the patriotic call of duty and enlisted in the State militia, offering his services to his country during the great Civil War. Mr. Kolb secured a position in the office of the United States assessors, where he made himself so valuable that he was soon appointed to the position of assistant assessor, and held that office until the accession of Andrew Johnson to the presidency. About that time Mr. Kolb became acquainted with people living at Easton, who had invested in silver mines in Montana, and he was sent by them to that Western district in order to take active charge of their interests at the mines. He remained there for about eighteen months, after







*A. H. Jones.*

which he returned once more to the East, and this time settled in Carbon county, where he took charge of a large lumber tract near the town of White Haven, it being his duty to superintend the operation of the saw-mills, stores, etc. Mr. Kolb continued thus engaged for a period of four years, when he returned to Easton, and here secured a position as bookkeeper at the Seitz Brewery, remaining with this concern for a similar period. Later Mr. Kolb was elected justice of the peace from the Second Ward of the city, and was later elected from the same district as alderman, filling both positions to the eminent satisfaction of the community-at-large and to his own credit. Together he held these offices some twenty-six years, and thereafter was appointed notary public. He then engaged in the insurance business, to which he added also large real estate operations, so that he is now the proprietor of one of the largest businesses of this kind in the community. In his religious belief, Mr. Kolb is a Lutheran and attends St. John's Church of this denomination at Easton, and he is exceedingly active in the work of his parish. Mr. Kolb has liberally supported the philanthropic undertakings of his church, and has been very active in the congregation, holding the office of elder there for thirty-two years. Mr. Kolb first attended Sunday school here in the year 1842, and afterwards at the age of eighteen became a teacher, continuing to act in this capacity until quite recently. He also taught a Bible class for about fifteen years, and was well known in religious circles throughout the region. Mr. Kolb is a member of the Republican party, and is a staunch supporter of its principles and policies. From early manhood he was associated with the local organization of his party, and although he came of an old Democratic family, he cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln, and since that time has voted consistently for every Republican candidate in State affairs down to the time of Charles E. Hughes, in 1916.

Reuben Kolb was united in marriage by the Rev. Smith Porter, of the Lutheran church at Forks township, in 1857, with Matilda Rader, of that place, a daughter of Paul and ——— (Wolf) Rader, old and highly respected residents there. To Mr. and Mrs. Kolb the following children have been born: William, who married Sophia Brandt, by whom he had seven children, five of whom are now living; Mary, who became the wife of Walter England, with whom she resides in Wilson township; Silas, who resides at Bushkill Park, and married Selina Gehringer; Minnie, who became the wife of William George, of Philadelphia; Theodora, who became the wife of Alfred W. Wilmomte, a well known physician and the head of the Wisconsin State Home for the Feeble Minded at Chippewa Falls, in that State; and Edward, who died in early manhood.

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**BARRY HOLME JONES**—The period from 1899 to 1919, which covered the connection of Barry Holme Jones with the Bethlehem Steel Company, witnessed the development of that company into one of the leading industrial enterprises of the world, and Mr. Jones' ascent from a minor position to one of the most important official posts of this vast corporation, that of secretary and treasurer. During that period, in several positions, he came into contact with large numbers of the employees of the plant, and by his frank friendliness and simple democracy won a place in their regard that endured strong to the day of his death. He rose to a position of the most weighty responsibility in this company solely through the display of capacity for large affairs and the performance of work of signal value. His business vision and talents were his warrant of membership among leaders of the country's industries, and the Bethlehem Steel Company and the business world suffered severe loss in his death.

Barry Holme Jones, son of Dr. Hiram Griffith and Annie (Fahnestock) Jones, was born in Evansville, Indiana, April 9, 1874. Paternally he was of Welsh descent, and maternally of Dutch descent. His mother was of the

well known Fahnestock family, long prominent in finance and industry in New York, and long prominent socially in both America and Europe. When he was a youth of eleven years of age, his mother brought the family to Bethlehem, the father deceased, and there he attended the Moravian Parochial School, whence he was graduated in 1890. In this year he entered Lehigh University, receiving at graduation in 1894 with high honors the degree of Bachelor of Science, having majored in metallurgy. For one year thereafter he served as instructor in the university, at the time pursuing post-graduate courses which won him a degree in Mining Engineering. His business experience began as manager of the Bloomsburg Elevator Works, at Bloomsburg, and in 1899 he entered the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company as superintendent of boilers. In the preparation of a statistical report in connection with Frederick W. Taylor, the well known efficiency expert, he displayed such aptitude and ability in work of this nature that he was placed in a prominent position in the accounting department of the company. In this capacity he devised an inventory method that was used in the first complete and accurate inventory ever made of the Bethlehem Steel Company's properties, and it has proved adaptable to greatly increased operations to the extent that it forms the basis of the system now in use by the company. His appointment as auditor followed April 1, 1902, and he placed his department on a splendidly accurate and smoothly running basis in a remarkably short period. His advice and counsel were regarded as valuable aid by the company officials, and in 1906 his extraordinary talents and ability were recognized in his election as director, and as secretary and treasurer. He served also in like capacities in the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and all of its subsidiary organizations. The expansion of the Bethlehem interests and the complex problems they presented never extended beyond the grasp of his business genius, nor fully plumbed the depths of his executive power. In the Bethlehem Steel Company, to which he devoted his life in business, he was known as an official far-seeing and capable to the last degree, a man who brought into business the charm of a gentle personality and the example of high character. He leaves a memorial in the company with which he was so long associated, where his share in its growth, prosperity and strong stability is given abundant honor. He was a communicant of the Moravian church. He was a member of the Lawyers' Club of New York, Bethlehem Club, Lehigh Country Club, Northampton County Country Club, and treasurer of the Lehigh University Alumni Association.

Barry Holme Jones married, May 30, 1918, Mrs. Lillie (Fenner) Drake, who with two daughters, Elizabeth and Kathryn, survive him.

**ALFRED CORNELIUS BETGE**—Mr. Betge is a native of Bethlehem, educated in its public schools, and in that city has passed all of his active business career, being at the present time head of an undertaking and embalming business long established and of excellent repute. He is prominent and active in the work of the Moravian church, of which he has been a lifelong member, and devotes himself earnestly and whole-heartedly to the various departments of church labor. Mr. Betge is a son of Gustav Betge, born in 1810, died in 1884, who was a resident of the Moravian colony at Dresden, Germany, where he was educated and learned a trade, whence he came, after military service in the army of his native land, to the United States. He made the voyage in 1850 in one of the slow sailing vessels of the time, and settled first in Watertown, Wisconsin, two years afterward making his home in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where he resided until his death. He is buried in the old Moravian Cemetery of that place. Gustav Betge married Pauline Graff, granddaughter of Bishop Graff, a notable figure in the history of the Moravian church in Saxony. Pauline Graff was born in the Moravian settlement at Gnadenfrei, Prussia, May 19, 1826, and died in Bethlehem, September



16, 1882, her husband, beside whom she is buried in the old Moravian Cemetery, surviving her two years. For two years, at Watertown, Wisconsin, she was in charge of a private school. Gustav and Pauline (Graff) Betge were the parents of five sons and four daughters, of whom the following survive (1919): Adolph P., Agnes A., Alfred Cornelius, of whom further, and Frederick A.

Alfred Cornelius Betge was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, September 2, 1864, and there attended the public school, finishing his studies in the Moravian Preparatory School. In 1891 he began work for William Walp, deceased, in funeral directing. This was an old established house, founded by Mr. Walp in 1866, Mr. Betge becoming sole owner in 1905, and continuing the business with the same success and on the same high plane that has characterized it for more than half a century. Mr. Betge pursued study in the College of Embalming, of Massachusetts, of which he is a graduate, class of 1899, and contributes the best of modern science to the service of his business, which, in its intimate and delicate relationship to the Bethlehem community, has won such favorable reputation. He is a member of the Eastern Pennsylvania Funeral Directors' Association and the National Funeral Directors' Association, and belongs also to the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Betge was confirmed in the Moravian church in 1881 by Bishop Charles B. Shultz and was baptized by that dignitary, since that time devoting a large share of his time and labor to the furtherance of the work of his denomination. He is treasurer of the Home Mission Society of the church, vice-chairman of the pew collectors, and is a member of the Moravian Historical Society and the Moravian Preparatory School Alumni Association. He is also a life member of the Young Men's Missionary Society of the Moravian church.

Alfred C. Betge married, April 21, 1908, S. Carrie McCammon, daughter of John and Elmira E. (Dech) McCammon, of Nazareth, Pennsylvania. Mr. McCammon was connected with educational work throughout his entire life, his death occurring in 1913 at the age of seventy-three years, and taught for a time in the schools of South Bethlehem, also serving Nazareth, Pennsylvania, as principal of public schools. Elmira E. (Dech) McCammon died in 1884. Mrs. Alfred C. Betge was a member of the Alumni Association of the Moravian Seminary and College for Women, of Bethlehem. Mrs. Betge died December 14, 1918.

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**CHARLES FRANKLIN SCHWARTZ.** The two decades over which the contracting and building operations of Charles F. Schwartz extend have witnessed the development of his business from its first small beginnings to a position of leading prominence in Bethlehem and vicinity. Mr. Schwartz is at this time in active charge of all his operations and may view with justifiable pride the business that he has, through his own unaided effort, established so firmly. Exclusive of business houses and public buildings, Mr. Schwartz has to date (1919) erected more than fifteen hundred dwellings in the Bethlehem locality, a notable record and an index of great usefulness to his community. Mr. Schwartz is a son of William Henry Schwartz, born in Bethlehem township, Northampton county, died in 1897, aged sixty-four years. His occupation was that of brickmaker, which he followed in Bethlehem, and he was a strong Democrat and a member of the Lutheran church. William H. Schwartz married Wilhelmina Smith, of Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, who died in 1880, aged thirty-six years, and they were the parents of: Lizzie, married James Cook, of Jersey City, New Jersey; Amanda, married Charles Mohn, an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and has one daughter, Beulah; Charles Franklin, of whom further.

Charles Franklin Schwartz was born in Bethlehem township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, October 1, 1871, and until he was thirteen years



of age attended the public schools of the township. Then, until 1889, he worked on a farm, in that year becoming apprenticed to his uncle, Amandas Schwartz, of Bethlehem, to learn the carpenter's trade. Remaining with his uncle for nine months he was afterward with Bishop & Fatzinger, of Bethlehem, for three years. His independent operations began in a modest manner in 1900, and as his capital and reputation became greater he gradually assumed more pretentious contracts, until at the present time he is a leading contractor and builder in that locality. Among the many notable contracts he has fulfilled was the remodeling of the Dryland Church, of Hecktown, Pennsylvania, an ancient structure erected more than a century ago, which he rebuilt into a handsome and modern church edifice. Many schools throughout the township are specimens of his work and in addition to many business houses he has built more than fifteen hundred dwellings. Mr. Schwartz has become the owner of a stone quarry, equipped with modern machinery capable of extracting one hundred tons of stone a day, and he also owns a sand-pit that yields forty tons of fine sand a day. He utilizes four teams and a two-ton motor truck in his operations and owns none but well-bred draught horses, which are kept with scrupulous care. Mr. Schwartz is an ardent supporter of Democratic principles, and for fifteen years served as auditor of Bethlehem township. He is a member of the Lutheran church of Altoona, near Bethlehem, which he served for three years as deacon.

Mr. Schwartz married, January 10, 1891, Mary A. Mack, daughter of Levi and Elizabeth (Travel) Mack, of Bethlehem township, Northampton county, her father being drowned in 1862, her mother dying in 1909. Charles Franklin and Mary A. (Mack) Schwartz are the parents of: Clarence Levi, born March 17, 1893, served with the Engineers' Corps of the United States Army in the American Expeditionary Force in France; Howard William, born October 5, 1896, employed as a carpenter by his father, a soldier in the United States Army; Elmer Charles, born November 14, 1902, employed by his father.

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**WILLIAM HERMAN STUBER**—In 1888, William H. Stuber, then a lad of fourteen years, entered the employ of the owner of a dry-goods store in Bethlehem, and in April, 1897, became the owner of the business. He has steadily progressed from that time, has enlarged and widened his field of operations and is one of the successful merchants of the city. He has worked practically alone in all these operations, financing the business and depending entirely upon his own efforts and judgment. He is a fine example of a self-made man and in his intercourse with his fellow men holds to a high standard of conduct. He is very energetic, progressive and public-spirited, always ready to aid in any movement for the civic good. He is a son of Jackson T. Stuber, born in Salisbury township, Lehigh county, November 18, 1847, and still active, although in 1917 he had the misfortune to lose his right hand. For forty-five years he has been an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company and has been placed upon the pension roll of the company, and is now filling a helper's position. Jackson T. Stuber married Anna Herman, daughter of John Herman, of Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. They are the parents of four children: William Herman, of further mention; Edward, died in infancy; Wallace J., in the employ of a wholesale dry-goods house in Allentown, Pennsylvania, married Mamie Burkhardt, of South Bethlehem; Emma, married William E. Culin, of Allentown, a clerk in the accounting department of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company for twenty-five years, then transferred his service to the Bethlehem Steel Company, they the parents of a son, Harold.

William Herman Stuber was born in Salisbury township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, September 29, 1874, and removed to Bethlehem when six years of age, there obtaining a public school education. When fourteen





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years of age he began his business life, entering as a boy helper in the store of which he is now the owner and successful manager. He became proprietor in 1897, and from that year has steadily increased both his patronage and his store facilities. He specializes in dry-goods and is very popular as a thoroughly reliable up-to-date merchant and as a citizen of the best class. He is a part owner and treasurer of the Alacrity Knitting Mills of South Bethlehem. He has been interested in real estate development and built the National Biscuit Company building on Broadway, and largely improved his private residence on the same street. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and for fifteen years has been active and useful as a member of the Church Council. Every department of the church activity commands his interest, and when the church building was enlarged and repaired recently, he was a member of the building committee of twelve in charge of the work. His interest also extended to the service flag presented to the church, Mr. Stuber being one of the leaders in that patriotic movement. He is a member of the South Side Business Men's Association, member of Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, was active in the "hill to hill" bridge campaign, and that for the consolidation of the boroughs into the city of Bethlehem. Genial and generous, he has taken special pleasure in helping those less fortunate in getting started toward success and useful citizenship. He is a Democrat in politics, a member of Stanley Goodwin Lodge No. 648, Free and Accepted Masons; Bethlehem Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Malta, Knights of Pythias, and the Loyal Order of Moose.

Mr. Stuber married, January 1, 1896, Lovinia M. Gehringer, daughter of Paul and Tavilla (Mauthhart) Gehringer, of Allentown, Pennsylvania. Paul Gehringer, a dealer in horses all his active life, died in May, 1918. Mrs. Stuber is active with her husband in church work and also in the work of the Red Cross. Mr. and Mrs. Stuber are the parents of two children: Beatrice T., born April 24, 1898, and Bernadine A., born August 14, 1901.

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**HARRY EDWARD McCORMICK, M.D.**—Well established in a good practice in his native Easton, Dr. McCormick has, in the years which have intervened since receiving his M.D. in 1911, fairly earned distinction as one of the leading young physicians and surgeons of Northampton county. He is a son of William Henry and Josephine (Goodyear) McCormick, of Easton.

Harry E. McCormick was born in Easton, November 10, 1883, and here completed the public school courses of instruction with graduation from high school. He finished preparatory study at Easton Academy, then entered Medico-Chirurgical Medical College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated M.D., class of 1911. During his vacation periods he served as interne at Easton Hospital, and after graduation was also interne and later assistant surgeon to that institution. He maintained that connection until 1916, but from graduation in 1911 he had been engaged in private practice, first opening an office in Phillipsburg, New Jersey. In 1912 he removed his office to Easton, and has there been in practice until the present, 1919, having built up a most gratifying medical and surgical clientele. In addition to his private practice, he is surgeon to the following corporations: Standard Process Steel Company, C. K. Williams & Company, Chipman Knitting Mills and Lehigh Valley Railway Company. Dr. McCormick keeps in intimate touch with every phase of medicine and surgery through his numerous professional societies. He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, Fellow of the American Medical Association, member of Mann Orthopedic Society, the W. Frank Haehnlen Obstetrical Society; Ernest La Place Surgical Society, Fox Ophthalmological Society, George Meeker Bio-Clinic Society and Mann Orthopedic Society. He is a member of Easton Lodge No. 152,



Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Association of Military Surgeons, United States Army; Delaware Street Methodist Episcopal Church, and in politics a Republican. He enlisted in the United States Regular Army Medical Corps during the recent war with Germany, was commissioned first lieutenant, and served for several months on the medical staff at Camp Greenleaf. With the signing of the armistice and Germany's abject surrender of her navy and equipment, he was returned to civil life and his private practice.

Dr. McCormick married, in Easton, August 18, 1914, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Walter W. and Emma (Brown) Leyrer.

**JOHN O. BACHMAN**—The records of the Bachmans trace their origin to Switzerland, early members of the family living in Luzerne. When William Penn came to Pennsylvania, his private secretary was named Bachman, and in compensation for the work he performed two townships of land were deeded to him, known then as Upper and Lower Sagney, but later as Upper and Lower Saucon. History also records the sale by Christian Beitler to Christian Bachman, June 20, 1751, of two hundred acres along Saucon creek, land originally deeded by John, Thomas and Richard Penn, July 23, 1744, to Christian Beitler.

Christian Bachman was a miller and owned the mill property which many years later passed under control of Ehrhart & Brother. He married and reared a large family of sons: Abraham, John, George, Henry, Christian, Jacob, Joseph, Solomon and Daniel. He also had a daughter Mary, who married Christian Schuck. David Bachman, son of Christian Bachman, the miller, was the ancestor and great-grandfather of John O. Bachman, through Peter, son of David, John W., son of Peter, and John O., son of John W. Peter Bachman had three sons: John W., Charles and David. John W. Bachman was a farmer of Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, but in early life learned and followed the carpenter's trade. He was a man of upright, honorable life, a member of the County Board of Supervisors and Township School Board, and interested in all town affairs. He married Lovenia Overbeck, of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, they both being devout members of the Reformed church, he serving in official capacity. John W. Bachman died at his farm in Lower Saucon in March, 1892, aged eighty-nine years, his wife preceding him to their last resting place in 1891. They were the parents of three sons: Peter, deceased; Titus O., of Hellertown, Pennsylvania; and John O., of further mention.

John O. Bachman, son of John W. and Lovina (Overbeck) Bachman, was born at the parental farm in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, September 21, 1854, and there his youth was spent. He attended the public schools of the district and grew up a well informed young man, a carpenter by trade, but later engaging in farming and becoming well known as one of the substantial farmers of the section. He followed carpentry for some years after leaving home, but finally settled on a farm of his own and there lived the quiet life of the prosperous agriculturist until 1897, when he entered official county life. In 1896 he was chosen warden of Northampton county jail, and on January 1, 1897 entered upon the duties of his office. He developed strong managerial quality, and during the seven years that he remained in office the affairs of the jail were conducted most humanely and justly, discipline was never better, and the voters of the county were fully satisfied with their choice of a warden. He surrendered the office to his successor January 1, 1904, and spent the following summer in the West, returning in 1905 to assume the duties of steward at the Northampton county farm. Upon leaving this position he engaged in business as a contractor and builder, reverting to the business and trade in which he had engaged when a young man. Until 1914 he did a large amount of building

in Northampton county, chiefly in Easton and South Bethlehem. Since 1914 he has largely withdrawn from building operations and given his time to other lines of activity. During the year 1914 he formed a partnership with his son-in-law, W. H. Heil, and opened a flour and feed store at No. 144 South Third street, Easton, and has developed a very successful business at that location. He is a man of energy and ability, and in the varied relations in life which he has occupied, farmer, county official, contractor, builder and merchant, has won success and reputation. In his political faith, Mr. Bachman is a Democrat of strength and influence, his voice a potent one in county party councils. He is a member of the Lutheran church, member of the Patriotic Order, Sons of America; Hellertown Lodge No. 563, Free and Accepted Masons; and Bethlehem Chapter, Royal Arch Masons.

Mr. Bachman married, November 7, 1878, Mary Ellen King, born in 1855, died October 20, 1916, daughter of Henry and Magdalena (Young) King. Mr. and Mrs. Bachman were parents of a daughter, Anna B., wife of W. H. Heil, assistant cashier of the Easton National Bank.

**JOSEPH McGARR** The entire business career of Joseph McGarr has been passed in Bethlehem, his residence since he was brought as a boy from his English birthplace, and in this city he has labored from the age of twelve years, beginning under the pressure of necessity and winning for himself independent position and reputation in the business that is now his field, real estate and insurance. He has been favored by no preference nor influence but, utilizing every opportunity that presented, he prepared himself for responsibilities, and by his determined application forced himself upward in the business world. Still a young man, he has come to a point in his career where he is able to select his fields of endeavor, and the record of his past gives promise of a future useful to his city. Mr. McGarr is the son of Samuel and Elizabeth J. (Holmes) McGarr, who were the parents of three children: Samuel, an inspector in the employ of the United States Government, stationed at the Bethlehem Steel Company's plant at Bethlehem; James, an officer in the United States Navy; and Joseph.

Joseph McGarr was born in the north of England, December 16, 1884, the death of his parents occurring after the family came to the United States and when he was quite young. As a boy he attended the public schools of Bethlehem, but the necessity of contributing to the family support caused him, at the age of twelve years, to begin work as a bobbin boy in a silk mill, where his daily wage was twenty-five cents. For three years he was employed in this mill, then, appreciating the advantages of a trade, he became a machinist, for ten years following that calling in the plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company. The advantages of business made their appeal to him, and he perfected himself in the knowledge necessary to successful dealing in real estate and insurance, opening an office for business in these lines on February 4, 1910. The nine years of his continuance in real estate and insurance dealings in Bethlehem have been years of profit and experience to him, and the straightforward, open methods he employs in all his transactions have won him favor among his fellows and have gained him a clientele of impressive proportions. Mr. McGarr is independent in politics, and serves as a member of the Council of Fountain Hill township. He is a member of lodge, chapter and commandery in the Masonic order, his lodge No. 648, Free and Accepted Masons, of Bethlehem, and he also fraternizes with the Knights of Pythias, Bethlehem Lodge. He is a communicant of the Episcopal church. He is a director of the People's Trust Company, a corporation he helped to organize, working diligently for its realization.

Mr. McGarr married, July 18, 1906, Emma, daughter of Charles W. and Araminta Finady, of Bethlehem. Mrs. McGarr is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College and the Boston Conservatory, and is a prominent vocalist.

Mr. McGarr is also active in musical circles, and for a long time has been a member of church choirs. Mr. and Mrs. McGarr are the parents of Georgine Holmes, born May 11, 1907, and Charles W. F., born August 20, 1909.

**DANIEL PAUL CURRAN**—In County Donegal, Ireland, Patrick James Curran was born and spent the first twenty years of his life, obtaining his education in the schools of the city of Dublin. In his twentieth year he came to the United States and settled in Easton on the South Side, where he is now living retired in his seventy-eighth year, having given the active years of his life to the iron and steel industry. He married Katherine Derry, born in Ireland, who died in 1917, aged seventy-three years, the mother of a family of thirteen children, Daniel P. being the fifth child.

Daniel Paul Curran was born in Easton, South Side, July 28, 1873, and there completed grammar school courses. He then attended Stevens Business College, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, after which he learned the barber's trade, and for twenty-two years he conducted his own shop in Easton. In the meantime he had made a close study of the art of embalming the dead, his instructor the very capable Joseph Kinney, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, a master of the art. In 1908, Mr. Curran opened a mortuary establishment in Easton and offered his services to the public as undertaker and funeral director, and he is today, eleven years later, head of the best organized undertaking business in the county. His equipment has been completely motorized, no horse-drawn vehicles having been used since 1916. Only the best and most modern methods of caring for the dead are employed, Mr. Curran keeping in close touch with every improved method and constantly seeking to improve his service through study and attendance upon clinics devoted to mortuary surgery. He is a member of the Funeral Directors' Association of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, National Funeral Directors' Association, Warren County (New Jersey) Funeral Directors' Association, Northampton County Funeral Directors' Association, St. Bernard's Roman Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, the Jacksonian Democratic Club, and a patron of the out-of-door sports, hunting, fishing and motoring. He was an original member of Company I, of the once famous Easton Guards, and served for two years as a member of the Hospital Unit of that organization.

Mr. Curran married, October 15, 1894, Katherine Agnes O'Connor, daughter of Hugh and Jane (Little) O'Connor, her father born in County Meath, Ireland, her mother born in Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Curran are the parents of two sons and three daughters: Vincent De Paul, married Helen Sheetz, and they are the parents of a son, Vincent De Paul (2); Raymond Daniel, his father's assistant in the undertaking business; Elizabeth Irene, Katherine Marie and Margaret Winifred.

**ANDREW M. WEINGARTNER**—One of the handsomest and most completely equipped buildings of its kind in the United States is the "Home" built by the Bethlehem Steel Company for its military band of one hundred men. This organization came into being about three and one-half years ago, and is under the direction of Andrew M. Weingartner, a musical director of large and varied experience. The band is composed of men employed in the offices and works of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and the movement is in the line of recreation rather than work, the band being a side issue to the men from a financial standpoint.

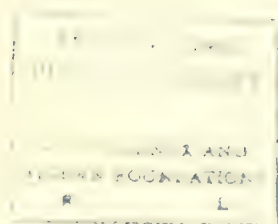
The new building is essentially a combined club house and practice hall, and the site chosen is a mile distant from the works and of ready access from all directions. Less than five hundred yards distant is the building in which a military band met one hundred and thirty years ago, which was perhaps the first permanent organization of its kind in America. The building was turned over to the band in February, 1914, by Charles M. Schwab, who





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founded and takes a close personal interest in this organization. The organization has met with great popularity on all sides. A series of concerts has been given by the band to the employees of the Bethlehem Steel Company and their families, which were very well patronized, a single concert having been attended by two thousand persons. In the summer-time these concerts are given outdoors at various points in the community, which attract not only a large number of the company's employees, but many of the townspeople as well. In the winter-time they are held indoors. The movement has been a most popular one from the standpoint of welfare of the company's employees, and that the band has proved a source of pleasure to them is evidenced by the large attendance on every occasion.

It is with this band and with the Lehigh Symphony Orchestra that Mr. Weingartner has won much more than local fame as a leader and conductor. He has built up both band and orchestra from the initial organization and it is no exaggeration to say that both have won national reputation. The fame of one is the fame of the other, for neither organization knows no other leader who confines himself to their upbuilding.

Andrew M. Weingartner was born at Fünfkirchen (Five Churches) (also Pecs), a town of Hungary, capital of the county of Baranya, one hundred and five miles from Budapest, October 15, 1872. This city existed in the time of the Romans, and at the close of the Middle Ages was the seat of a university. There he was educated in the common branches, but later he took courses in music and was graduated from Budapest and Arad Conservatory. He became a skilled performer and leader, and when performing his years of military duty was assistant director of the Fifty-second Regiment of Infantry, stationed at Budapest. In 1896 he came to the United States, and at once located in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. His first position in Bethlehem was as a teacher at the head of the violin department at the Moravian Seminary and College for Women. He remained with that institution for eighteen years. During that period he also devoted himself to the practice of his profession and became interested in every department of the city's musical life. As a teacher of the violin he had few equals in the valley, but of late years he has had little time for private pupils. In 1907 he organized the Lehigh Valley Symphony Orchestra, later the Bethlehem Symphony Orchestra, an organization of sixty pieces, all local musicians, splendidly trained and still conducted by Professor Weingartner. The orchestra is enthusiastically supported by Charles M. Schwab and has won a secure place in the heart of music lovers. In 1910 he organized the Bethlehem Steel Band, which has grown to a well trained band of one hundred pieces, the performers all recruited from the plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and the especial pride of that company.

While these two organizations now take practically all his time, Professor Weingartner for four seasons was in charge of the music department of the Pennsylvania State Chautauqua Society at Mount Gretna. He has also been actively helpful in the many musical festivals of the Moravian church and identified with a great deal of the musical life of his city. He married, in October, 1898, at Bethlehem, Gertrude E. Ungerer, daughter of Jacob and Gertrude (Shoenen) Ungerer, of Bethlehem, her parents both deceased. They are the parents of a daughter, Hermine, married Howard H. McHose, a graduate of Cornell University, 1916, now a mechanical engineer in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company. They are the parents of a son, Lucius H. McHose, born May 1, 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Weingartner are also the parents of a son, Andre R. Weingartner, now a student at the Moravian Preparatory School.

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**LEVIN FRANCIS LEIBFRIED**—Manufacturing operations, finance and real estate dealings were the forms of business that claimed the greater part of Mr. Leibfried's time and attention throughout his long life of seventy-



six years, thirty-seven of which were spent in Bethlehem. He is remembered in this city as a man of affairs, of keen judgment and strong ability, and as a citizen ready and willing to assume the responsibilities of citizenship. He was an active churchman, as is his wife, and all departments of the work of the Moravian church in this district—spiritual, educational and material—benefited through his devoted interest and loyal support.

Mr. Leibfried was a son of John Christian and Harriet (Beitel) Leibfried, his father a native of Germany, who came to the United States in young manhood. He was master of the carriage builder's trade, and soon after settling in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, began the manufacture of fine carriages, which for many years were noted for their excellence throughout eastern Pennsylvania. He continued the operation of his factory until the close of the Civil War, when the business was taken over by his sons, Henry and Levin F. John C. Leibfried was one of the solid, substantial members of the Nazareth community and a constant member of the Moravian church. Harriet (Beitel) Leibfried was a member of an old Northampton county family. She bore him five children, of whom Levin Francis was the fourth.

Levin Francis Leibfried was born in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, April 23, 1841, and died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, July 5, 1917. He was a student in famous old Nazareth Hall, and learned the carriage builder's trade under his father's expert instruction, subsequently, with his brother Henry, succeeding to the management of the factory. In 1880 he came to Bethlehem and became vice-president of the First National Bank of this city, an office he resigned in 1883. For many years he maintained a warehouse and showroom for the sale of the product of the Nazareth factory, and transacted a large business in this line. Early in his Bethlehem residence he was impressed with the opportunities in real estate in the city and vicinity, and until his death he was numbered among the important and influential operators of the district. Under the title, first of L. F. Leibfried and then as L. F. Leibfried & Son, with John Edward Leibfried, his son, as junior member of the firm, he was prominent in the upbuilding of some of the most popular residential districts in the western and northeastern sections of the city. He was a member of the Bethlehem Real Estate Board, and by his associates in real estate dealings and by the investing public he was regarded with esteem and confidence, reputation based upon a long career of adherence to the strictest principles of fair treatment.

A member of the Moravian church from his youthful years, he was always an earnest worker in his congregation and in the larger work of the denomination. He served for many years as a member of the finance and advisory boards of the church, was on various occasions a delegate to the synods, was a trustee of the Moravian Seminary, and was responsibly connected with the construction of the Moravian Theological Seminary. Civic as well as business and religious affairs shared in his interest. His position on the consolidation of the boroughs and his support of the hill-to-hill bridge project were typical of his progressive, public-spirited attitude, and he was a dependable factor in campaigns for municipal improvement. He was a member of the Bethlehem Club.

Levin Francis Leibfried married, March 15, 1877, Martha Jane, daughter of John Edward and Ann Matilda (Greider) Luckenbach, of the pioneer Luckenbach family of Bethlehem. They were the parents of one son, John Edward (q.v.).

Mrs. Leibfried is an active member of the Moravian church, vice-president of the Moravian Ladies' Sewing Society, famed for the rag dolls they make, sold for the benefit of home missions, and a member of the Moravian Union of King's Daughters. She is identified with all of the charitable work of the denomination, and untiring in her church work.

**JOHN EDWARD LEIBFRIED** Mr. Leibfried, since 1911 identified with real estate dealings in Bethlehem and until the death of his father the partner of the elder Leibfried, succeeds in worthy manner his honored father, whose career was productive of so much of benefit to the business interests of the locality and to the Moravian church, of which he was a member and a zealous worker in behalf of its different organizations. Mr. Leibfried is a grandson of John C. Leibfried, and his wife, Harriet (Beitel) Leibfried, both natives of Württemberg, Germany, whence they came to Northampton county, Pennsylvania. There, in Nazareth township, was born Levin F., father of John Edward Leibfried, March 23, 1841, and his death occurred July 5, 1917. He became the head of a large real estate and insurance business in Bethlehem, and was prominent in numerous enterprises which have become substantial industries and businesses of the locality. For many years he was a director and vice-president of the First National Bank of Bethlehem, and until the time of his death retained his interest in all of the affairs of the city. He was a devoted member of the Moravian church and gave freely of his time and means in its service. He was a member of the several executive boards and for many years was a trustee of the Young Ladies' Seminary, of the church. Levin F. Leibfried married Martha J., daughter of John Edward Luckenbach, of Bethlehem, who survives him.

John Edward Leibfried was born in Nazareth, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, February 21, 1879, and after attendance at the Moravian Preparatory School of Bethlehem, he entered Lehigh University, majoring in chemistry and graduating in the class of 1900. For a time he was employed as a chemist with the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company, afterward serving in the same capacity with the Phoenix Cement Company of Nazareth for three years, then accepting a civil service appointment in the United States Reclamation Service at Denver, Colorado, filling the office for a period of five years. Returning East in the summer of 1911, he became his father's partner in real estate and insurance operations, a connection that continued until Mr. L. F. Leibfried's death in 1917. Mr. Leibfried is secretary and treasurer of the United Realty Company, secretary of the West Bethlehem Building & Loan Association, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and is a notary public. He has continued the business founded by his father, broadening its scope as the city has increased in importance as an industrial center, and holds important place in his line in Bethlehem. He is a Republican in political preference, an active worker in the Moravian church, and fraternizes with the Masonic order.

Mr. Leibfried married, June 7, 1911, Louise, daughter of John Menefee, of Sedalia, Missouri, and they are the parents of: Mildred Louise, born August 1, 1913; and Jane Marshall, born November 24, 1915.

**HENRY E. RICKSECKER** Two generations of this family have attained prominent position as musicians and merchants, Emanuel C. Ricksecker and his son, Henry E. Ricksecker, both thorough musicians and able business men. Emanuel C. Ricksecker was born in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, in 1837, and died in Bethlehem in 1906. In 1844 the family moved to Boston, and there he obtained his schooling and his musical training as a pupil of Zuch, the violinist, who was himself a pupil under the famous Davids. The young man became a violinist of note, and for some time was a member of Gilmore's Boston Symphony Orchestra. After returning to Pennsylvania he engaged in business in Bethlehem as a dealer in musical instruments, specializing in the best known makes of pianos. He was instrumental in founding Bethlehem's musical societies, was a member of the ever-famous Moravian choir, and was one of the main factors in the musical life of Bethlehem. He held a high certificate of excellence as a piano tuner issued him by Chickering & Son, and he was in the employ of that and other Boston musical instrument

concerns. He retired from business in 1900, but all his life retained his interest in music, his life of definite value to the community, his influence wholesome, sweet and inspiring, his long labor to elevate the musical tone of his community endearing him to his friends of the town and to his brethren of the Moravian church.

Emanuel C. Ricksecker married Ellen Mary Kram. She survives her husband, a well preserved, active woman, now making her home with her son, Henry E. Mr. and Mrs. Ricksecker were married when the bride was but sixteen years of age, they being attracted to each other by their mutual love and talent for music. Children: Florence A., married Dr. H. J. Laciak, of Bethlehem; Fred K., a traveling salesman with headquarters in San Francisco, California, his line, pianos and pipe organs; Henry E., of further mention.

Henry E. Ricksecker was born in the house in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in which he now lives, March 27, 1869. He was educated in the Bethlehem public schools and Moravian School, and began business life as a traveling salesman with the Sohmer Company of New York, piano manufacturers. The death of his father in 1906 made it necessary that he assume control of the Ricksecker Music Company, which had been established nearly half a century earlier, and from that time he has been its managing head. He carries the Sohmer, Kohler, Campbell and H. E. Ricksecker pianos, also a full line of musical instruments of varied kinds. He has developed a prosperous business, and is one of the highly esteemed men of his city. He inherits much of his father's musical genius, and is an accomplished pianist. Mr. Ricksecker is a member of the National Association of Piano Merchants of America; was responsible for the exhibit of pianos made by the Sohmer Company at the World's Fair held in Chicago in 1893. He is a member of Bethlehem Lodge No. 191, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; is treasurer of Lincoln Republican Club; and in religious faith an Episcopalian.

**EUGENE SAMUEL LEITH**—One of the oldest villages in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, is Leithsville, named after the Leiths who lived in that vicinity and were long its principal owners. Leith, or Leyd, as it is spelled in the older records, is a Scotch name. Benjamin Reidel married a widow Leyd, from New Brunswick, who had a son Peter, a small boy when brought to Pennsylvania. He spoke no German at that time, but living in a German community, acquired the language. His wife, a daughter of Samuel Weaver, was of German descent, and they are the ancestors of a large family of Leiths, many of whom are yet living in Lower Saucon today. Others have moved to different parts of the county, this review dealing with Eugene Samuel Leith, of Hellertown, Pennsylvania, son of Allan Pierson, son of Samuel, son of Peter, the founder of the family in Lower Saucon township.

Samuel Leith was born in Leithsville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1813, and spent his life as a farmer and merchant all his active years, and also took a deep and active interest in community affairs, being one of the progressive spirits found in every community who can always be relied upon to aid in every movement looking toward the public good. He became a Democrat, but would never accept any public office in local service. He was a member of the Lutheran church and a man rich in the regard of his neighbors. He married Mary Ann Pierson.

Allan Pierson Leith, son of Samuel and Mary Ann (Pierson) Leith, was born in Leithsville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, March 3, 1842, and was educated in the public schools. He grew to manhood at the home farm, and all his active years was interested in agriculture and was one of the substantial farmers of this section. In addition to his farm interests he was long







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a merchant of Leithsville, there owning and operating a general store until the death of his wife in 1917, when he retired, and has since made his home with his only son, Eugene S. Leith, in Hellertown. In 1891 he was elected justice of the peace, an office he filled until 1898. Like his father he was a man of upright life and public spirit, highly esteemed in the community in which three-quarters of a century of life was passed. Allen P. Leith married Clarissa Huber, born March 16, 1844, in Upper Milford, Bucks county, and died in Leithsville, December 23, 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Leith were the parents of an only child, Eugene Samuel, of further mention.

Eugene Samuel Leith was born in Leithsville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 3, 1871, and there attended public schools. He finished his studies at Springtown Academy in 1887, and from that year until 1910 was associated with his father in a general mercantile business in Leithsville. In 1910 he purchased the general mercantile business owned by his uncle, Jacob B. Leith, in Hellertown, and has since devoted himself to its operation. He has increased the business of his store until its volume exceeds that of any other store in Hellertown, and is rated one of the progressive, public-spirited and substantial merchants of Northampton county. He is also a director of the People's Trust Company of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. In Leithsville he was justice of the peace for several terms; is a member of Hellertown's School Board; is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Reformed church. He is a member of Hellertown Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Mr. Leith married, December 17, 1896, Lelia K. Hess, daughter of Asher S. and Elizabeth D. (Kram) Hess, her father formerly a wholesale dealer in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, now a traveling salesman, her mother deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene S. Leith are the parents of a daughter, Clarissa Margaret Elizabeth Leith, born at Leithsville, April 24, 1903, a graduate of Hellertown High School, class of 1919.

**WILLIAM GILBERT TILLMAN, M.D.**—When Dr. Tillman located in Easton in 1907 and began the practice of his profession, he did not come as a stranger, for his previous life had been spent in the city across the Delaware, Phillipsburg, and Easton was as familiar to him as his own city. The Tillmans, a family of builders, have long been seated in Phillipsburg, Dr. Tillman's grandfather, Peter Tillman, a pioneer contractor of that city, and later of Dover, New Jersey, where he died. Peter Tillman married Matilda Garrison, who yet survives him, aged eighty-seven years, a resident of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. They were the parents of George Washington Tillman, who for several years was a contractor and builder of Phillipsburg, but now a locomotive engineer in the employ of the Lehigh Valley railroad. He married Mahala Harrison, daughter of George and Abbie (Swartz) Harrison, of Milford, New Jersey. They are the parents of two sons: William Gilbert, of further mention, the youngest.

Dr. William Gilbert Tillman was born in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, December 20, 1880. He was educated in Hackettstown (New Jersey) public schools, finishing with high school graduation, class of 1897. He prepared for college at Hackettstown Centenary Collegiate Institute, whence he was graduated, class of 1900. He then entered Lafayette College, class of 1904, but at the close of his sophomore year withdrew to enter Medico-Chirurgical Medical College of Philadelphia, whence he was graduated M.D., class of 1906. He spent a year as interne at Elizabeth (New Jersey) General Hospital, then in 1907 located in Easton and began the upbuilding of a private clientele. The years have brought him recompense for his devotion to his profession, and he is firmly established in public confidence. He is a member of the Northampton Medical Society and for five years its secretary; member

of the Physicians' Protective Association and its secretary since organization; member of the Pennsylvania Medical Society, and of the American Medical Association. He holds the respect and regard of his brethren of the profession, and the perfect confidence of his large clientele.

While in college, Dr. Tillman was active in athletics, particularly baseball, being catcher of the Lafayette College team. He was assistant editor of the College Class Book at Medico-Chi, and took a deep interest in the societies of the college. He was a member of the Wilson Township Board of Health for a number of years, and for two years served on the Wilson School Board. In politics he is a Republican, and in religious faith affiliated with the Second Street Methodist Episcopal Church of Easton. He is a member of the Northampton County Republican Club; secretary of the Easton Motor Association; member of the Easton Board of Trade; Phi Zeta fraternity; Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Rajah Temple (Reading), Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Bloomsburg Consistory, has attained the thirty-second degree.

Dr. Tillman married, April 7, 1917, Sadie Elizabeth Hillyer, who died October 7, 1918, a victim of the Spanish influenza epidemic in that year. She was a daughter of E. Chauncey Hillyer.

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**THOMAS JOSEPH REIDY**—Thomas Joseph Reidy, treasurer and general manager of the United Furniture Company of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and a prominent and influential citizen of this community, is a native of County Kerry, Ireland, where his birth occurred January 6, 1879. He is the youngest of the six children of Thomas and Catherine (Deen) Reidy, both deceased, his father a general merchant and highway contractor during his active business life. The first twenty years of his life were spent in his native country, and in 1890 he journeyed to Cape Town, South Africa, in search of health, remaining there about four years. In 1903 he set sail from Ireland to the United States and landed on March 31, in that year. On April 1, he applied for his first citizenship papers, and his naturalization was the quickest ever accomplished in the city of Brooklyn. The young man was exceedingly active and ambitious, and upon reaching this country at once sought employment, a search which his alert manner and obvious intelligence made no difficult matter. He was employed in various concerns until the year 1908, when he became connected with his present company in a very humble capacity. He began at the bottom of the ladder and owes his advancement solely to his energy, industry and intelligence. He soon found himself in line for promotion, and he eventually became treasurer and general manager, offices he fills at the present time (1919). Since taking this responsible office the affairs of the concern have been largely entrusted to his capable hands, and he is regarded as one of the capable and far-seeing business men in this region. It was largely due to his efforts that the company was incorporated in 1909. He became the manager of the Bethlehem store in the same year, and in 1913 was elected assistant treasurer. He and his associates then bought control of the company and he became treasurer and general manager thereof. In 1918 he bought out his associates and now owns the controlling interest in the stock of the concern. It has been his ambition, an ambition which he has admirably realized, to provide for Bethlehem the finest store of its kind in the region, and to this end he has spent all his energies and devoted his extraordinary business talents.

Mr. Reidy is an aggressive and enterprising man, and has exhibited a broad public spirit, which has won him the favor of the community-at-large, and his success has been achieved through a strict policy of fair dealing. He is a firm believer in the proposition that no permanent success can be gained without the foundation of character and honesty. He has made his motto



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the phrase, "Nothing too good for Bethlehem." Through his strict adherence to the Golden Rule his business has grown with a remarkable degree of rapidity and to such an extent that he found his present store entirely too small, and early in 1918 purchased the Hoffman building for the sum of one hundred thousand dollars. This transaction, the largest of its kind in the history of Bethlehem, attracted great and favorable comment, and it was a source of genuine gratification to Mr. Reidy, as it revealed to him that his bankers, the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company, had recognized the healthy condition of his company, and assisted generously in financing the transaction. The acquisition of this building places the United Furniture Company in the largest and most modern mercantile building in the city, and provides a plant large enough to take care of the further great expansion which Mr. Reidy feels is in store for the company. Besides his business interests, Mr. Reidy has taken an active part in public affairs and the general life of the community, and is at the present time a member of a number of fraternal and social organizations, including the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Northampton and Rotary clubs, all of this place. He is an independent politically, and is a communicant of the Holy Infancy Catholic Church. Mr. Reidy is a devotee of all out-of-door sports, retaining a lively interest from his active participation in handball, football and track athletics during his school years.

Mr. Reidy married, June 25, 1912, Clare B. Hamil, daughter of James and Elizabeth (Burns) Hamil, of Paterson, New Jersey, her father being now president of the United Furniture Company. They are the parents of one son, Thomas Joseph, Jr., born April 20, 1913.

**ASHER GARFIELD ABEL**—The Abel family, of which Asher G. Abel, of Bangor, Pennsylvania, is representative, springs from Squire Jacob Abel, born in 1744, died in 1822. He came from Germany prior to the Revolution, and was a riverman familiar with the handling of the Durham boats so common on the Delaware in that early period. He rendered patriotic service in gathering the flotilla which was used to transport the retreating American soldiers across the Delaware after the battles which forced Washington to retreat across New Jersey to Pennsylvania. He carried the mail from Easton to Philadelphia many times, the mailbags coming from the Eastern States and upper Hudson places over the old main road from Esopus to Van Campen's Mills above the Water Gap. In 1787 he owned the ferry across the Delaware, and was one of the five men who, the same year, purchased Getter's Island of the Penns. He was the proprietor of a hotel at the "Point," and in 1788 his name appears as one of the large property owners of the town. For many years he was a justice of the peace, and for seventy-eight years continued a life of active usefulness. He left two sons, Jacob and John.

John Abel, son of Squire Jacob Abel, was a riverman, who for several years was engaged in running Durham boats on the Delaware, until the opening of the canal, after which he ran regularly between Easton and Philadelphia. Later, and for several years, he engaged in business as a grocer in Easton. On July 7, 1825, he was appointed by Governor Shulze a member of the commission to take measures for the improvement of navigation on the Delaware river. The act under which he was appointed bore date of March 26, 1821, the first board consisting of Lewis S. Coryell, John Kirkbride and Jacob Shouse. In 1825 the last named commissioner resigned, Mr. Abel succeeding him. For more than three years he served on the commission, accomplishing a great deal in the way of river improvement. He married Catherine Bleckley, and they were the parents of a large family. John Abel owned and cultivated a farm in Plainfield township, and there his son, Abraham Abel, was born.

Abraham Abel was a farmer of Plainfield township, all his life owning

and working his own acres. He married Elizabeth Teel, and they were the parents of: Louise, who married Charles Hood; Mary, who married Amandas Price; and Emillious.

Emillious Abel was born at the homestead in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, August 5, 1842, died at his farm in Plainfield township, January 1, 1913. In early manhood he was employed in the slate quarries, but later he became a farmer, so continuing until the end of his life. He was a Republican in politics, and for several years was a member of the School Board. On September 22, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, Thirty-first Regiment, New Jersey Volunteer Infantry, and served out a ten months' term of enlistment. He was a member of Lafayette Post No. 217, Grand Army of the Republic, and in religious faith was affiliated with the Evangelical Association. Emillious Abel married Irene Miller, daughter of John and Sarah Ann (McCann) Miller, of New Jersey, and they were the parents of nine children: Sarah Edith, now the widow of Simeon Hawke; Emma E., wife of John H. Salt; Fanny Almira, wife of Wesley W. Shover, both deceased; Amanda Helena, wife of Stewart Stackhouse; Minnie May, widow of Joseph E. Heller; Edna Aravesta, wife of Frank Bitz; Cora Bell, wife of Stewart Shook; Bertha Louise, wife of Floyd C. Gold; Asher Garfield, of further mention. The old farm upon which Emillious Abel lived and died and reared his family is located near Kesslerville, and is yet owned in the family.

Asher Garfield Abel was born at the homestead in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, October 25, 1880. He was educated in the district school, Pen Argyl High School, Easton Academy, and the University of Pennsylvania, but he did not complete his university course. He taught two terms at Edelman public school, then spent a year in New Jersey as teacher of the Parsippany School, then was for four terms in charge of the Plainfield township school. He next taught for four years in the grammar grades in Bangor, where he was acting principal for one of the schools. The following four years he was teacher of English in the Bangor High School, that ending his career as a pedagogue. His next position was as teller of the First National Bank of Bangor, a post of duty he filled for about one year, then was elected cashier, his present position. He is financially interested in the Bangor Water Company, of which he is assistant manager; is a director of the Blue Mountain Telephone & Telegraph Company; director of the Blue Mountain Shirt Company; member of the Pen Argyl Lodge No. 594, Free and Accepted Masons; Bangor Chapter No. 274, Royal Arch Masons; Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Bloomsburg Consistory, thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Bangor Lodge No. 1106, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Joel Searfoss Camp No. 273, Sons of Veterans (secretary six years); and in religious faith is affiliated with the Lutheran church of Bangor.

Mr. Abel married Lucy Ann Uhler, daughter of Amos C. and Catherine (Price) Uhler. Mr. and Mrs. Abel are the parents of a son, Asher Garfield (2).

**ESCHER C. YEAGER**—On the old family homestead in Palmer township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, bought by his great-grandfather, Philip Yeager, from the Penns. Escher C. Yeager, now proprietor of the National Pharmacy, Easton, first saw the light. There Philip Yeager and his wife, a Miss Kocher, lived and reared a family of four sons and two daughters, one of these a child named Christian, who succeeded his father in the ownership of the homestead in Palmer township, and there spent his life. He married Elizabeth Walters, and they were the parents of two sons: Aaron and John, also three daughters. This review deals with the son Aaron, and his son, Escher C.

Aaron Yeager was born at the homestead in Palmer township, North-







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ampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1835, died in 1904. His entire life, save the last four years, was spent at the home in which he was born, he becoming a substantial farmer. He was a Lutheran in religion and a Democrat in politics. He married Matilda Knecht, who survived him, and now, at the age of seventy-five, resides with her only child, Escher C. Yeager.

Escher C. Yeager was born at the homestead, October 12, 1866, and there spent the first fifteen years of his life. He attended the district public school and helped in farm work until 1881, when he began his studies at Trach's Academy, in Easton, under R. H. Trach, there continuing two terms. His first teacher was a relative, Miss Mary Yeager, Professor Trach his last. In 1883 he entered the employ of the Messenger Manufacturing Company in the shipping department. He later applied for a license to conduct a hotel at the old homestead, which was granted, and for seven years he continued in the hotel business. He then retired from this business and became a clerk in the office of the county recorder of deeds, holding that position for three years. He then served six years as deputy recorder of deeds, after which he was elected recorder for a term of four years. He was defeated for re-election, his party ticket, Democratic, going down in defeat that year. In 1912 he opened the National Pharmacy, located at the corner of Seventeenth and Washington streets, Easton, which he is still successfully conducting. In addition to his service as recorder, Mr. Yeager was assessor of Palmer township for three terms, and for twelve years was justice of the peace, resigning that office when elected recorder of deeds. He is a member of Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Easton Eyrie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Patriotic Sons of America.

Mr. Yeager married, in Easton, June 9, 1889, Annie J. King, daughter of George and Sophia King, of Easton.

**WILLIAM A. TITUS**—According to a deed in the possession of William Titus, of Easton, Pennsylvania, this branch of the family came to Easton about the year 1800, in the person of John Titus, an Englishman. This deed is dated 1802, and is made to John Titus, great-grandfather of William A. He seems to have owned considerable real estate in Easton, one of the holdings being the present site occupied by the H. G. Tomblor Grocery Company, on Ferry street. Little is known of him further than the above, for he died at a comparatively early age, leaving two sons, one of whom, Lawrence, was the grandfather of William A. Titus, of Easton. John Titus married Catherine Bachman, born December 31, 1774, daughter of Abraham and Phoebe Bachman. Her father was born May 24, 1744, her mother, March 9, 1752.

Lawrence Titus was born November 17, 1803, in Easton, Pennsylvania, and there spent his life, which covered nearly the entire nineteenth century, 1803 to 1895. He was a millwright by trade, conducted a prosperous business, and during his active years played a prominent part in public life. He held the office of burgess, of Easton, and has gone down in history as the last man to hold that office, Easton becoming a chartered city during his term as burgess. It was greatly desired by his fellow men that he be elected first mayor of the city, but the weight of years was upon him and the objections of his family overcame the importunities of his friends, and the honor went to another. He was a man of fine and imposing presence, very active and energetic, a good citizen and neighbor. He bore his years well, and after accomplishing fully ninety-two years, passed to man's reward. In religious faith he was a Universalist. Lawrence Titus married Ann Parker, of Bloomsburg, New Jersey. They were the parents of three sons, who grew to man's estate, and three daughters, as follows: John C., Marv A., William, of whom further; Catherine, Sophia, George, and a son who died in infancy. John C. and George Titus were both successful business men. John C. was the owner of vessel property, then later moved to Chile and settled there,

where George was connected with the Chilean navy, and both prospered in their business enterprises

William Titus, the third son of Lawrence and Ann (Parker) Titus, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, July 31, 1828, and died at the age of forty-nine years. He learned the millwright trade under the direction of his father, and continued in that line of business activity until his death. He was a member of the church, and was a citizen of worth, but confined himself to his business affairs and took but little part in the city affairs. He married Sarah Ann Gray, who survives him and yet resides in Easton, now in her eighty-eighth year and wonderfully active. She is a daughter of William H. and Christina (Reese) Gray. William and Sarah A. Titus were the parents of six sons and one daughter: Lawrence Parker, a railroad conductor, residing in New York City; Belle R.; Harry Gray, deceased; William A., of whom further; Frank, Charles H. and Edward H., all deceased. The aged mother, Miss Belle R. Titus and William A. Titus, all reside at the latter's home, which is located on Thirteenth and Bushkill streets.

William A. Titus, son of William and Sarah A. (Gray) Titus, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, September 13, 1856, and was educated in the public schools of the city. After completing his school years, he was engaged in business activities, varied in their nature, until the year 1880, when he formed an association with the H. G. Tombler Grocery Company, of Easton, a connection which has never been broken. He became the firm's purchasing agent in 1891, and in 1901 was admitted a partner. The firm became a corporation in 1907, Mr. Titus being vice-president of the company, but retains his position as head of the purchasing department. Early in 1919, the H. G. Tombler Grocery Company merged with Eberts & Company, of Bethlehem, and the M. H. Strauss Company, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, now trading under the corporate name of Davies, Strauss, Stauffer Company. Mr. Titus was one of the prime movers in bringing about the merger, and he is a director and one of the principal stockholders in the corporation. The company is a very large and successful one, dealing solely in groceries by wholesale, their salesmen covering territory within a radius of fifty miles, with Easton as a center. While a man entirely devoted to business, Mr. Titus indulges the social side of his nature in fraternal associations with his fellow men and is a member of various organizations, including the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is a Democrat; in religious preference, a Presbyterian.

Mr. Titus married, March 13, 1878, Rebecca Van Norman, daughter of Isaac Van Norman, of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Titus are the parents of three daughters and a son: Edna; Raymond, married Mame Unangst, and has a son, William; Fannie, married John Rauschwendel, and has a son, John; and Emily. This is but a brief record of five generations of the Titus family in Easton, the grandchildren of William A. Titus constituting the sixth generation. The heads of the first four generations are shown as men of strong business ability and progressive public spirit, each filling well the station in life to which they were called. Their forbears furnish an example of inspiration to the present generations, and in their keeping the honor of the name is secure.

**CHAUNCEY A. REESE**—Now serving his third term as city engineer of Easton, Pennsylvania, Mr. Reese is rounding out a long term of service as public and private engineer, his public service also including a three years' term as county engineer. In official or professional capacity he has passed upon many of the great public and private improvements in Easton during the past quarter of a century, and as engineer and superintendent has both planned and superintended much of the construction. He was born in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, his father, Charles Reese, a substantial merchant of that

city for many years, he a son of Philip Reese, one of the old-time residents of Warren county, New Jersey. Philip Reese owned land and operated a line of river boats between Easton and Philadelphia. Charles Reese, while engaged in merchandising in Phillipsburg, also taught school for several years and took an active part in town affairs. He died in Phillipsburg, aged eighty-one years. He married Mary Lesher, and they were the parents of Chauncey A. Reese, of Easton.

Chauncey A. Reese was born in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, August 30, 1869, and there completed public school education. He finished his studies at Trach's Academy, Easton, Pennsylvania, and soon afterward began study under Marshall Young, a prominent civil engineer of Easton. He continued study under Mr. Young and other instructors for some years, was in the engineering service of the Quaker Portland Cement Company, and with the Bath Portland Cement Company in the same capacity for four years, after which he established a private civil engineering business with offices in Easton. Until September, 1912, he was engaged in private practice with the exception of three years spent in the service of Northampton county as county engineer, and for a time his old preceptor, Marshall Young, was associated with him. Since September, 1912, Mr. Reese has been engineer for the city of Easton, having been twice re-elected to that office. Many radical changes have been brought about through the efforts of the city engineer's office since Mr. Reese's induction into office; street lighting, garbage disposal and street improvement are features which have been especially improved, and a sewage system is being planned which will be a long step forward when completed. Among the streets improved, those most noticeable are: Front street, from Bushkill Bridge to Spring Garden street; Spring Garden street from Front to Fourth street; Fifth street, from Ferry to Northampton street; Northampton street, from Seventh to Fifteenth street; Lehigh street, from Fourth to Sitgreaves street. Sewers have been built from Bushkill street to McCartney street, from Mixsell street, from Monroe to Wayne avenue, and other less important sections have been completed. Mr. Reese is an active Republican, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Reese married, in August, 1895, Idella V. Heller, daughter of Thomas J. and Louisa Heller. The family home is No. 207 South Sixth street, Easton.

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**JOHN MARSHALL YOUNG**—For nearly a half a century Mr. Young has practiced his profession of civil and mechanical engineering in Easton, Pennsylvania, beginning in 1871. He is a native of Easton, as was his father and grandfather, and traces descent on both sides to Colonial times, having had a number of ancestors actively engaged in the Revolution. The Youngs were manufacturers of rifles at that period, and made many of the rifles carried by the Continental soldiers during the eight years' struggle for independence.

John Marshall Young is a grandson of Peter Young and his wife, Anna Kachlein, she being the daughter of Col. Peter Kachlein. Peter Young was married in 1808. He was the father of thirteen children. The father of John Marshall Young was Henry Jacob Young, who for upwards of fifty years was connected with the firm of Young & Slough, and was one of the proprietors of the Eagle Foundry & Machine Company, located at the southeast corner of Ferry and Sitgreaves streets, in the city of Easton. Henry Jacob Young was born in Easton, in November, 1816. He married, January 27, 1842, Louisa Sherwood, who was born August 26, 1821, in German Valley, New Jersey, she being the daughter of Dr. Ebenezer Knapp and Elizabeth (Honnell) Sherwood. Dr. E. K. Sherwood was born in Connecticut, and was a graduate of Williams College. He was a grandson of Ebenezer Knapp, who took a very prominent part in the Revolutionary War.



John Marshall Young was born in Easton, October 2, 1850. His preliminary education was received in the public schools of Easton. He then entered Lafayette College, class of 1871. Upon leaving college in 1871, he at once began professional work under the late Peter Brady, a well known civil engineer. In 1873 he began business under his own name, and soon established a clientele among mining operators, railroad and canal builders, doing water supply, sanitary and general engineering practice. For about five years he was engineer for the borough of Easton, Phillipsburg, New Jersey, and the towns in other parts of the county. When the borough became a city he was its first city engineer. He was regularly elected county surveyor for two terms, and was engineer for the Board of County Commissioners for two terms. While serving in this capacity, he designed and built eighteen reinforced concrete bridges for the county. Among these was the South Third street bridge over the Lehigh river in Easton, and was also in charge of the construction of the Broad street bridge in Bethlehem. He was the engineer and one of the originators of one of the three first electric passenger street railways in the United States, viz.: Lafayette Traction Company, afterwards the Penn Motor Company, and was president of said company up to the time of its sale to the Easton Transit Company, now part of the Lehigh Valley Traction Company's system. He was also the designer and engineer in charge of the construction of numerous water and gas plants, a great deal of his work having been done in other States than Pennsylvania. Mr. Young is a lifelong Republican.

Mr. Young married, in Easton, October 7, 1880, Sarah Frances Lake, of Easton, daughter of Nelson and Nancy (Snyder) Lake, of a New Jersey family, originally belonging to the Society of Friends. Mr. and Mrs. Young are the parents of a son, Henry Sherwood Young, born at Easton, January 2, 1884. He was educated in the Easton public schools, attended Lafayette College in the class of 1905, and is now engaged in business in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. On September 7, 1917, he married Ruth Norton Kiggins, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, daughter of Symmes C. and Annie (Norton) Kiggins.

**ROBERT D. BURKERT**—After deciding to become an undertaker and funeral director, Mr. Burkert took a full course at Eckel's College of Embalming and Sanitary Science, and on June 1, 1917, established business at No. 711 Berwick street, Easton, South Side. He was the son of Daniel K. and Martha J. (Bowes) Burkert, his father a Lehigh Valley locomotive engineer. Daniel K. Burkert was born in Schuylkill county, Martha J. Bowes in Northampton county, Pennsylvania. Prior to their marriage, she had been for several years a teacher in the county public school. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel K. Burkert are members, respectively, of St. Peter's Reformed Church and of the Second Methodist Episcopal Church. Their home is at No. 744 Milton avenue, Easton.

Robert D. Burkert was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, July 27, 1894, and died October 17, 1918. He attended the public schools of the city until completing the grades, then took a business course at the Easton College of Business, there finishing his school work. The next three years were spent in the office service of the Edison Portland Cement Company, after which he entered the College of Embalming previously named, and there fitted himself for the undertaking business. He established himself in public favor and met with nothing but encouragement during his two years in business in South Easton.

He was a member of the Northampton County Funeral Directors' Association; Columbia Lodge No. 139, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; F. P. A. No. 597; ————— Camp No. 173, Patriotic Order Sons of America; Lodge No. 3, Daughters of Rebekah; Schubert Choral Society, and the Alumni Association of Eckel's College of Embalming. He was a





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member of the choir of St. Peter's Reformed Church, and an active worker in the Sunday school, teaching a class and serving as president of the South Heidelberg League of the church.

A feature of Mr. Burkert's establishment, in addition to his modern equipment for caring for the dead, was his arrangements for conducting funerals from his own spacious parlors, where it was so desired. He found this a great convenience in many cases, and freely offered his rooms to all who desired them on such occasions.

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**REUBEN STANLEY RAUB, M.D.** — In 1907, when Dr. Reuben Stanley Raub began his practice of medicine, he revived a title long and honorably borne by his grandfather, Dr. John W. Raub, born in 1798, whose family home was on the Delaware river, north of Easton. Dr. John W. Raub was well known for his skill in the healing art, and won such fame in his profession that he was called to all parts of Northampton county, and frequently was sought in consultation far beyond its borders. He was a descendant of early forebears who settled on the Delaware, at what later became Raubsville, where they purchased land from John Penn, a part of which has never since been out of the Raub name. Dr. John W. Raub married (second) Sarah Eberhart, and among their children was a son Jacob.

(II) Jacob Raub, son of Dr. John W. and Sarah (Eberhart) Raub, was born at the family home on the Delaware, just north of Easton, in 1856, and is now living a retired life in the city in which his life has been spent. After finishing his studies he learned the carpenter's trade, and in 1875 began contracting. He has to his credit over one thousand substantial buildings erected under his supervision in Easton and vicinity, including the Cottingham and Packer School buildings, the Moravian and Evangelical churches, and the Easton Silk Mill in South Easton. He was equally influential and prominent in public affairs, serving as councilman continuously from 1882 until 1892, serving as president of Select Council during the latter part of that period. In 1903 he was made a member of the Board of Control, and all his life he has been one of the men whose public spirit and progressiveness has been displayed in every effort made to advance Easton's interests. He married, in 1876, Arevesta A. Arner, daughter of Reuben Arner. They were the parents of twelve children, of whom Reuben Stanley was the third son.

(III) Dr. Reuben Stanley Raub, son of Jacob and Arevesta A. (Arner) Raub, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, October 1, 1883. He obtained his preparatory education in Easton public schools and Lerch's Preparatory School, his classical education at Lafayette College, his professional training in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, finishing with the degree M.D., class of 1905. The two following years were spent in service as interne and resident physician at Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, Delaware, and St. Christopher's Children's Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In 1907 he returned to Easton, where he has since been continuously engaged in the practice of his profession as a general practitioner, but devoting a large part of his time and skill to the treatment of diseases of children. He has fully demonstrated his professional ability, and is well established in the favor of a large clientele. He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, American Medical Association, and Guiteras Medical Society of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Raub is a Democrat in politics, a member of the First Reformed Church, Delta Upsilon fraternity, and Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Dr. Raub married, September 10, 1914, Edwina A. Kugelman, daughter of Isaac and Mary (Taylor) Kugelman, of New York City. When at college Dr. Raub was prominent in athletics, playing on both football and baseball teams, nor has he lost his love for such sports. He is fond of fishing, hunting, motoring and all manly sports of the out-of-doors.



**GEORGE REUSS**—A native son of Easton, Alderman George Reuss has there pursued his calling, cigarmaker, continuously all his active working years. The family is noted for steadfastness, old Eastonians easily recalling John Reuss, who for half a century made their shoes and kept them in repair. He was the father of John Reuss, and the son inherits the good qualities of his sire. John Reuss, born in Germany, came to the United States at the age of twenty years, settled in Easton, and there kept a shoemaker's shop along the Delaware below the bridge. He died in Easton, aged eighty-eight. He married Barbara Lutz, born in Germany, who came to the United States at the age of twenty, and was married in Easton, where she died aged seventy years. Both were members of Zion Lutheran Church, John Reuss a Democrat. They were the parents of ten children: Joseph, now of Phillipsburg, New Jersey; Anna, married John Bowman, and resides in Easton; William, a resident of Easton; Frank, deceased; Clementina, deceased wife of David Strickland; George, of further mention; Catherine, married Edward Kippel, and both are deceased; Frank, of Connecticut; John, deceased; and Edward, deceased.

George Reuss, son of John and Barbara (Lutz) Reuss, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, March 23, 1870. He attended the public schools until fourteen years of age, his first teacher, Miss Young, his last instructor, Jacob Weaver. His first employer was Rev. John Carey, a local preacher, under whom he learned cigar-making, a trade which he has followed for thirty years. As a boy he also was employed at the old lock factory, then operated by Mr. Shawkey, of New York City. He is a member of the Cigar Makers' Union and a man thoroughly respected as neighbor and citizen. Mr. Reuss is a Democrat in politics, and in 1915 was elected a member of the Board of Aldermen for a term of six years. He has made a good record in that office and has added to the good opinion in which he was held. He is a member of the Evangelical church, and in fraternal relation is affiliated with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Patriotic Sons of America, and the Loyal Order of Moose. Mr. Reuss married, December 21, 1889, Ella Warner, born in Easton, in 1870, and educated in the public schools, daughter of Nicholas and Margaret (Baylor) Warner. Mr. and Mrs. Reuss are the parents of eight children: 1. Florence, married Fred Hartford, and they are the parents of Ada, Marie, Olive and Miriam Hartford. 2. John Nicholas, born in 1892, joined the United States Army, April 27, 1918, trained six weeks at Camp Lee, then went overseas, serving with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, a member of Company D, One Hundred and Forty-fifth Regiment of Infantry. 3. Mabel, residing at home. 4. Dorothy. 5-6. Edith and Ethel, twins, born in 1911. 7. Margaret, died aged three years. 8. George Dewey, died aged three and a half years.

**JOHN J. MATTHES**—A man who at the age of thirty-five years has risen to high official position in corporations like the Alpha Portland Cement Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, certainly possesses unusual business quality which, with the ripened judgment of maturer years, will place their possessor in still higher positions in the business world. Mr. Matthes began business life as a clerk, but his rise quickly began, and step by step he rose to positions of responsibility and trust until reaching his present position, secretary-treasurer of the Alpha Portland Cement Company of Easton, Pennsylvania. In that secure place he naturally attracted other corporation offers, and he has added to his official titles honors from several of them. There is in the United States an association of cement manufacturing companies which has been styled, "One of the most efficient trade organizations in the United States." To that association Mr. Matthes has been called as assistant-treasurer, this giving him national reputation as an acknowledged financier of ability.

John J. Matthes was born in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, February 20, 1884,

and there was educated in the public schools. At the age of eighteen years he entered the employ of the Alpha Portland Cement Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, as a clerk, and since that year, 1902, he has been continuously in the service of that corporation. From general office clerk as a beginner he rose in rank in that department and was appointed auditor, and in that office he proved his ability for a better position, his next opportunity coming in 1911, when he was elected treasurer of the company, and again in March, 1918, further responsibility and honor was awarded him by the dual position of secretary-treasurer. He is also secretary-treasurer of the Alpha Portland Cement Company of Pennsylvania; secretary-treasurer of the Catskill Cement Company; treasurer of Annville Stone Company; and assistant-treasurer of Portland Cement Association. He is a director of the Phillipsburg Trust Company, director of Building and Loan Association No. 5 of Phillipsburg, and is a member of the National Association of Credit Men. He was very active in war work, serving on several committees connected with the Liberty Loan and war work drives. The details of the purchase of bonds by the various companies of which he is financial head all added to his duties, but these burdens were gladly borne to aid in the one object for which the United States was striving, "Win the War." He is first and finally a man of business, and his high position has been gained by knowing no other great interest than his business, giving close attention to the details of each department with which he was connected, whether or not it fell within the circle of his prescribed duty. Optimistic and of buoyant spirit, a man of systematic habits, he was always prepared for position "higher up," thus each step found him ready for it. He has not, however, given himself slavishly, but is careful that every side of his nature develops evenly, and he is a fine example of the modest, self-reliant, capable American business, than whom there is nothing finer. His recreations are those of the out-of-doors, golfing, motoring, fishing and athletics all appealing to him. He is a member of the Pomfret and Northampton clubs, is an independent in politics, placing principles above party allegiance.

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**LeROY LEO WALTER**—The family of which LeRoy L. Walter is representative settled in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, prior to the Revolution, and have long been prominent in Palmer township and in the city of Easton. LeRoy L. Walter is a son of Tilghman Walter, and a grandson of Aaron Walter, both residents of Palmer township, but both dying in Easton. Aaron Walter was a farmer of Palmer township, and there his son Tilghman was born about 1858. He died in Easton. He married Helen Herster, of Easton, who there died in March, 1914. They were the parents of the following children: Carrie, Oscar, Percy, Floyd, John, LeRoy L., of further mention, and Noah.

LeRoy L. Walter, son of Tilghman and Helen (Herster) Walter, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, August 1, 1884, his parents then residing in the First Ward. He began his school life under the instruction of a young teacher, Enos Walter, and until thirteen years of age attended public school. He then became a worker in the Simon Silk Mill, and for about seven years he continued with that corporation, connected with different departments. He then became a conductor on a city electric line, remained in that position two years, then was employed at the Barnet House and other hotels for a period of about seven years. He then left Easton and was a clerk at the Marlborough-Blenheim, Atlantic City, New Jersey, for a season, and at the Ponce de Leon, St. Augustine, Florida. On November 4, 1910, he purchased the Mount Vernon Hotel, Easton, Pennsylvania, and has been its proprietor from that date until the present (1919). He also was proprietor of the Paul Revere Hotel, at Revere, Pennsylvania, until its destruction by fire, March 11, 1918, having bought that property the preceding February 4. As soon as possi-

ble he erected a new substantial stone building two and a half stories in height upon the same site, and now both hotels are operating under his ownership. Mr. Walter is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Roman Catholic church. He married, May 16, 1909, Helen Conroy, of Brooklyn, New York.

**HARRY NICHOLAS CROWDER**—When a boy, Harry Nicholas Crowder, Sr., left his home in England and came to the United States. In course of time he became a dry-goods merchant of New York City, a business in which he continued until 1915, when he retired, joined his son in Easton, and died there in May, 1918, aged sixty-five years. He married Elizabeth Hettrick, who survives him, a resident of Brooklyn, New York. They were the parents of three children: Charles Frederick, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, vice-president of the Crowder Junior Company in Allentown; Harry Nicholas, of further mention; Grace Darling, married Victor Hansen, of Long Island, New York.

Harry Nicholas Crowder was born in Brooklyn, New York, July 11, 1888. He was educated in Brooklyn public schools, finishing with graduation from Brooklyn Commercial High School, class of 1905. As soon as school days were over he entered the employ of the Crandall Packing Company, manufacturers of steam specialties, and he is still that company's representative for the Crandall engine room specialties in Easton, Pennsylvania. In 1906, Mr. Crowder located in Easton, as representative of various Eastern manufacturers, and began the upbuilding of the business which in 1912 he incorporated as the Crowder Junior Company, of which he was the first, and thus far (1919), the only president, Charles Frederick Crowder, his brother, being vice-president of the Allentown branch of the company. The business, electric, steam and mill supplies, has had a solid as well as a rapid growth, its abundant success to be largely attributed to the business genius of its founder and executive manager. Mr. Crowder is a member of the Easton Board of Trade; National Association of Steam Engineers; Hill Grove Lodge No. 540, Free and Accepted Masons; Evening Star Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; is a Republican in national politics, but independent in local affairs.

Mr. Crowder married, May 24, 1917, Jeannette Stryker, daughter of William A. and Anna (Shields) Stryker, of Washington, New Jersey. Mrs. Crowder is a graduate of Chevy Chase Seminary, Washington, District of Columbia. They are the parents of a daughter, Anna Elizabeth.

**JAMES BARNARD NEAL**—While Mr. Neal is a successful business man and a high official of important corporations, he is a scientist, an authority on ornithology, and a student of that equally fascinating study, oology. From boyhood the study of mythology and oology held especial interest for him, and during the course of his life he made a fine collection of North American birds numbering about twenty-five hundred specimens, which he has since presented to Lafayette College. He is a son of Edward and Mary (Linscott) Neal, of Jarrettown, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania.

James Barnard Neal was born in Jarrettown, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1870. He was educated in Friends Central School, Philadelphia, Knight's Sunnyside Academy, Ambler, Pennsylvania, and Pierce's Business College, Philadelphia, finishing with graduation from the last named institution in April, 1887. On April 9, 1888, he entered the employ of C. K. Williams & Company, of Easton, as bookkeeper, the Neal and Williams families having been friendly neighbors in Jarrettown before the removal of Joseph Thompson Williams and his sons to Easton. The business of C. K. Williams & Company is one of magnitude and many ramifications, but may be described





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as a corporation manufacturing special products and engaged in the mining, importing and producing of raw materials used in the manufacture of crockery, glass and fine china. Mr. Neal continued as bookkeeper until advanced to the position of correspondent and office manager. He held that position until October 28, 1906, when the business was incorporated as C. K. Williams & Company, with Mr. Neal as secretary of the company. The company has various subsidiaries in different parts of the country, and in the organization of these corporations Mr. Neal took an active part in addition to his duties with the parent company. He is vice-president of the Florida China Clay Company, secretary of the Easton Explosion Company, both subsidiary to C. K. Williams & Company.

Mr. Neal is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, the Young Men's Christian Association, Easton Lodge and Easton Chapter, Masonic Order, the Methodist Episcopal church, and in politics a Republican. His clubs are the Pomfret and Northampton County Country, his recreations those of the open, particularly golf, motoring and fishing. His love of bird life and his deep knowledge thereof has been intense, and although his enthusiasm as a collector has waned, his love for those twin studies, ornithology and oology, is as great as ever and he delights in out-of-doors life. An entirely unrelated interest or fad, if you please, is a love for the antique in furniture and blue china, his collection of both showing his rare skill as a collector of the historically valuable in these art crafts. The antique in Oriental rugs has also attracted him, and in all he ranks as a connoisseur.

Mr. Neal married, December 25, 1914, Helen, daughter of H. G. Shull, of Martins Creek, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Neal is an active worker in the church, and rendered especially valuable service in the filling of Easton's war chest and in the various Liberty Loan drives, the team she led in the Fourth Liberty Loan being the most successful of all the teams composed entirely of women. Mr. and Mrs. Neal are the parents of two daughters, Margaret Mary and Helen Jane.

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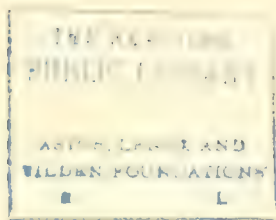
**JACOB BRODT ILLICK**—This name, sometimes spelled Illig, was brought to Northampton county by Rudolph Illick in 1730. The Illicks have chosen various channels of occupation—agriculture, educators, ministers and lawyers. They have held the name sacred for its honor and integrity. Rudolph Illick was the father of John Christopher Illick, a farmer of Northampton county, who died in 1818, and was the father of three sons: Christopher (2); John Frederick, who settled in Williams township, Northampton county; and John, who settled in New York State, where some of his descendants now reside, including his daughter Elizabeth, the wife of John Florey. Christopher Illick settled on a farm in Upper Mount Bethel township, Northampton county. He was a cabinetmaker by trade, but a large part of his life was spent at his farm. He married a Susannah Brodt, and both died at the farm in Upper Mount Bethel township. Both were members of the Lutheran church, and he was an official of the then Centerville Church. Both lived to an advanced age.

Jacob Brodt Illick, son of Christopher and Susannah (Brodt) Illick, was born at the home farm in Upper Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, October 20, 1814, and died in California about 1880. He was educated in the district school, his attendance, like that of the average farmer boy, being during the winter months only. He remained at the home farm until legal age, then left home and went to Belvidere, New Jersey, where he clerked in a store. Later he opened a store in Stockertown, Northampton county. In 1849 he was caught in the mad rush for gold that began with the discovery of that precious metal in California. He sailed around the Horn, but at Valparaiso the vessel he was on had to put in for repairs, and it was a full year from the date of his departure from Pennsylvania before he

arrived in San Francisco. He was with a company of young men from Philadelphia who had formed a company, of which he was vice-president. The company was founded for mining operations, and he remained one of the officials for several years. Later he consolidated his interests with another Pennsylvanian, and together they owned valuable mining property. He remained in the gold fields several years, meeting with a fair degree of success, then, his health breaking down under the hard labor and exposure, he retired to a more congenial occupation in a more suitable climate. He conducted a ranch for several years before his death for the Caliveras Company in California. He died about 1880, and was buried in California.

Mr. Illick married, in Easton, Cecelia Eva Probst, born in Forks township, Northampton county, in 1815, her parents moving to Easton in 1825. She died in Easton in 1887, and is buried in the Easton Cemetery. They were the parents of three children, of whom Mary Catherine Illick, of Easton, is the only survivor. Mrs. Illick was a daughter of Rev. John Augustus Probst, born in Saxony, Germany, who came to the United States at the age of nineteen years, his parents both having died in Germany. He had been a student at the University of Leipzig, specializing in medicine. In Pennsylvania he began theological study under Rev. Charles Muhlenberg, of Lancaster, and later was ordained a minister of the Lutheran church. He was an able, devout man, and all his ministerial life was an untiring worker for the church he loved. He continued in the active ministry of the church until his death in Easton in 1844, having pastoral charge of the Forks, Centerville and Williams township churches, serving but three churches during his thirty years in the ministry. Rev. John A. Probst, whilst a minister of a high order, was also deeply interested in civic and public affairs. By appointment of the governor, he filled the office of recorder of deeds of Northampton county, Pennsylvania. He was a friend and co-worker of Thaddeus Stevens in his political activities. Rev. John A. Probst married, in York, Pennsylvania, Catherine Maria Weiser, daughter of Samuel Weiser, who came to York from Wormelsdorf, Berks county, Pennsylvania. A son of Samuel, one Jacob Weiser, was a soldier in the War of 1812. John Conrad Weiser was the founder of this family in Pennsylvania, he coming from the Rhine Palatinate in 1710 with several of his then motherless children. He settled in Schoharie county, New York, and engaged in farming, his son, Conrad Weiser, later settling in Berks county, Pennsylvania, and living for a time in Reading. Conrad became an Indian interpreter, serving the government in that and other important positions. He visited Easton at an early date, acting as interpreter in treaty-making discussions between the white and red men. A daughter of Conrad Weiser married the Rev. Henry Melchoir Muhlenberg, a pioneer Lutheran minister in Pennsylvania. Rev. John A. Probst had a family of two sons and one daughter, the latter the wife of Jacob B. Illick, and mother of Mary Catherine Illick. His sons were: Emilius F., who was one of Easton's best known citizens, intellectual, pleasing in manner and companionable, who died in 1905, at the age of eighty-seven years; Dr. Franklin A., died in Easton at the age of twenty-five years, soon after engaging in practice.

Mary Catherine Illick, only living child of Jacob Brodt and Cecelia Eva (Probst) Illick, continues her residence in Easton. She is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, active in religious and charitable work. She is a member of the Northampton County Historical Society, a charter member of Easton Hospital, and at present, president of the board of trustees. She is interested also in the work of the Social Service League, of which she is a charter member, and most of the time since its organization has been an officer of the Missionary Society of St. John's Lutheran Church. From her eighteenth year she has been a teacher in the Sunday school. She is a member of the Women's Club, and is always ready to assist any and all things of a charitable nature.







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**HOWARD F. KOCH**—The ancestor of this branch of the Koch family was Adam Koch, who arrived in Philadelphia from Germany, May 30, 1741, and settled in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where his name is found on a tax list of 1762. His wife, Anna Maria, was born in 1701, and died in 1776. This branch of the family settled in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where Daniel Koch, a son of John and Susanna (Schnable) Koch, is now living a retired life at his farm near Easton. He is one of the successful farmers of the county, and all his life has been spent in that locality. Daniel Koch married Margaret Arner. They are the parents of a son, Howard F., and a daughter, Lauranda S., wife of Andrew Wimmer, they the parents of a son, Howard L., and a daughter Alice. Mr. and Mrs. Wimmer reside at the home farm, Mr. Wimmer being employed in an Easton silk mill.

Howard F. Koch, son of Daniel and Margaret (Arner) Koch, was born at the paternal farm in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, February 15, 1868. He attended the district public schools during his boyhood, later finishing his studies at Easton Academy in Easton. On June 4, 1888, he entered the employ of Luckenbach & Krause, a firm which later became the J. S. Krause Hardware Company, Inc., this firm incorporating as such in 1909. That business, originally conducted by J. Samuel Krause and Owen A. Luckenbach, became the sole property of J. Samuel Krause in 1889, and was conducted by him personally as the Krause Hardware Company until its incorporation. The company's store is located in Bethlehem, and is one of the solid, substantial business houses of the city. For twenty-one years prior to the incorporation, Mr. Koch was connected with the business, attaining responsible position. When the business was incorporated in 1909, he was chosen vice-president and manager of the company, and is the practical managing head of the business. He is a business man of fine ability, energetic, honorable and upright. By nature a genial, attractive personality, he makes friends readily and has that happy faculty of making friends of mere acquaintances. He is a member of the Reformed church, is independent in his political belief, a member of the Bethlehem Rotary Club, and of the Bethlehem Club. He is first vice-president and member of the board of directors and organizer of the Citizens' Building & Loan Association of Bethlehem. He is president of the Anti-Tuberculosis branch of the Associated Charities and a director of that organization. He was one of the original committee that organized and directed the Bethlehem War Chest, and was active in the war loan campaigns, and is also a director of the credit bureau of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Koch married, April 26, 1894, Julia A. Bond, daughter of Joseph H. and Sarah (Sterner) Bond, of Brodheadsville, a village of Monroe county, twenty-two miles from Easton. The Koch family home is in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

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**SAMUEL LE ROY CAUM**—His name, now best known in relation to real estate operations, Samuel Le Roy Caum, is a graduate engineer, a personal friend and for some years a business associate of the great inventor, Mr. Edison. Mr. Caum was born at Altoona, Pennsylvania, the son of Ezra A. and Annie Elizabeth (Treese) Caum, May 22, 1882. Ezra A. Caum died in 1914, being then sixty-three years of age. He had developed a successful and substantial wholesale ice cream business in Altoona, and his death came suddenly through becoming entangled in the machinery of his plant. His tragic death was a shock to his wide circle of friends in Altoona, where the Caum family has been held in high esteem. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Caum took over the direction of the business, still keeping the factory in satisfactory operation, aided by two of her sons. The children of Ezra A. and Annie Elizabeth (Treese) Caum were: 1. Samuel Le Roy, of whom further. 2. Mary, who married Robert P. Graham, supervisor on the Pennsylv-

vania railroad at Barnesboro, Pennsylvania, to whom she bore two children: Janet and Robert. 3. Ezra Arthur, who assists his mother in the direction of the business in Altoona; married Margaret Hughes, and has a son John. 4. Wallace B., a successful restaurant proprietor in Altoona, married Charlotte May, of Philadelphia. 5. Harry L., also employed in the ice cream factory; married Mary Stahle, of Altoona, and has one son, Edwin Le Roy. 6. Thomas L., a draftsman in the Altoona shops of the Pennsylvania railroad. 7. Frank L., died in infancy. 8. Elizabeth, attending college. 9. Martha, attending school.

Samuel Le Roy Caum first attended the public schools of Altoona, Pennsylvania, graduating from high school in the class of 1900. It was his father's desire that he have professional training, and the following fall he matriculated at Lehigh University in the engineering course, being graduated in 1904 with the degree of M.E. He took up professional work at once, and for five years was chief draftsman for the Edison Portland Cement Company of New Jersey, during his employment at that plant becoming a personal friend of the eminent inventor, Thomas A. Edison. In 1910, Mr. Caum came to Bethlehem and opened an office in that city, specializing in real estate and insurance. He has since developed a prosperous business covering all lines of insurance, also building and loan operations. He is secretary of the Equitable Building & Loan Association, of the Industrial Building & Loan Association, and the South Bethlehem Building & Loan Association, and a member of the board of directors of each. He is secretary of the Citizens' Realty Company and a member of the board of directors, a director and executive committeeman of the South Bethlehem National Bank and vice-president of the Bethlehem Real Estate Board.

Mr. Caum is an aggressive, active man of optimistic outlook, and has been successful in his line in Bethlehem. He has not been able to devote his entire time to real estate, as on several occasions he has been recalled in his professional capacity to undertake designing for the Thomas A. Edison Company, but he is popular among the business fraternity of the city and with them will undoubtedly share in Bethlehem's future development. He was active in all of the war work in which Bethlehem made such a splendid record, and in addition to supporting the numerous drives of the government and relief organizations assisted the Draft Board of District No. 3 throughout the war. He is a member of Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, member and one of the board of directors of the South Side Business Association. Independent in political opinions, Mr. Caum follows national affairs with keen interest. He has never participated in political work, but is enthusiastic in all that bears on the progress of the city, and is an interested member of the Rotary Club, one of Bethlehem's strongest and most effective organizations of business men. Mr. Caum also belongs to the Bethlehem Club, and to all the Masonic bodies with the exception of the consistory. He is also a member of the Lulu Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Philadelphia, and also of Hobah Lodge No. 364, Knights of Pythias, of Bethlehem. Mr. Caum is a devotee of out-of-door recreation, especially motoring. He is a patron of all college sports, is a lover of music, and for eight years has been director of St. Mark's Lutheran Church choir, and in college was active in college glee club work, and was leader and violinist in the Lehigh College Orchestra.

On December 7, 1904, Mr. Caum married Elizabeth Beatrice, daughter of Andrew L. and Lucy C. (Rhoad) Cope, of Bethlehem, a sketch of whom follows. Mrs. Cope died July 20, 1919. Mr. and Mrs. Caum have an attractive home on Prospect avenue. Both are members of the Lutheran church, contributors to its support with their time and means. The parents of Mrs. Caum were Lutherans of firm conviction.

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ANDREW LITZENBERGER COPE—First coming to Bethlehem as a teacher in the public schools, Andrew L. Cope soon found his real field of





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endeavor in real estate operations, and during the greater part of five decades filled a conspicuous position in the business life of the city. His work was constructive in its physical aspect, and constructiveness was the keynote of his activity in every department of Bethlehem's life, business, civic, religious and philanthropic. He was identified with the founding of many institutions that have stood the tests of time and changing conditions, and in every good work he was a dependable factor. In a life of great activity, abounding in helpful usefulness, two things stand out most clearly as monuments to his strong business judgment and to a generous, loving spirit of charity. These are, respectively, a leading part in the organization of three noted building and loan associations that have contributed heavily to the development of the city, and a lifelong and sincere friendship for orphaned and crippled children that found perpetuation in his will.

Andrew L. Cope, representative of a pioneer Bucks county family, was a son of Henry and Elizabeth (Litzenberger) Cope, the youngest of ten children, as follows: Susanna, Amanda, Sarah, Amelia, Ephraim, Amos, Robert, Mahlon, Jeremiah and Andrew L. He was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, March 19, 1847, and died in Bethlehem, January 8, 1919. He attended the public schools and completed his education in the Millersville State Normal College, then came to Bethlehem as a teacher in the public schools. Impressed with the opportunities for real estate investments in Bethlehem, he soon engaged in dealings in that line and insurance, and throughout a long period of years ranked among the most prominent operators of the district. His work included building operations, and large numbers of houses were erected on plats opened by him as residence sections. In addition to his private activities, he was the leading spirit in the organization of the South Bethlehem Building & Loan Association, the Industrial Building & Loan Association, and the Equitable Building & Loan Association, and during forty years as secretary of these important organizations he was in great measure responsible for their financial soundness and wide usefulness. Throughout this long period his grasp on the affairs of these associations was constant and thorough, and he was instrumental in aiding literally hundreds of families to ownership of their homes in financial security. In almost unprecedented measure he held the confidence and esteem of the officials and stockholders of these companies, and the administration of his office was efficient and enthusiastically approved. Another business interest was the old Mountain Water Company, which supplied the South Side for many years, and of which he was the organizer. He was one of the charter members of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce and a firm believer in organizations that brought the business and industrial leaders of the city together in effort for the welfare and prosperity of Bethlehem.

Mr. Cope was a staunch Democrat and was sought in council by his party leaders, but with the exception of his incumbency of the office of tax collector and a member of Council from 1877 to 1880 he never entered public life. Few men, however, worked more zealously in private capacity for the success of progressive measures and for the creation of a strong spirit of civic pride than Andrew L. Cope. He was one of the organizers and a charter member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, and for many years was a member of its official board. His support of local charities was liberal and constant, and while his gifts and sympathies covered a large field he was particularly concerned with the welfare of unfortunate children, and he made provisions for them in his will, the Germantown Home for Orphaned and Crippled Children, the Tipton Home for Crippled Children, and the Good Shepherd's Home of Allentown, Pennsylvania, were all named as beneficiaries. He was a member and past chancellor of Hobah Lodge, Knights of Pythias. His life was one of devotion to high personal standards and of strict observance of duty. In business success and prosperity he exercised a careful stewardship that

brought relief and comfort to many, and his good works made him beloved of a large circle.

Andrew L. Cope married Lucy Catherine, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Bowers) Rhoad. They were the parents of one daughter, Elizabeth Beatrice, who married Samuel Le Roy Caum, whose sketch precedes this. Mrs. Cope died July 20, 1919.

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**HENRY LERCH**—Although a resident of the city of Easton since the year 1888, a period of thirty-one years, Recorder Lerch is a native of Forks township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, son of John M. Lerch, and grandson of John Lerch. The family dates back to the earliest period of the county. There is recorded in the first deed book, page 22, April 30, 1754, by Anthony Lerch, property in Lower Saucon township, price £18. John M. Lerch, a farmer of Forks township, married Anna C. Uhler, and they are the parents of Henry Lerch, of Easton, present recorder of deeds for Northampton county.

Henry Lerch was born at the homestead in Forks township, April 3, 1872, and there passed the first sixteen years of his life. He was educated in the public schools of the district, and in the intervals of school life was employed on the home farm. He had little taste for agriculture, and when sixteen years of age left home and came to Easton, which has ever since been his home. He apprenticed himself to a carriage and sign painter, and after thoroughly learning that trade followed it for many years, abandoning it only when elected to his present office. He was an expert in his business, and his services were always in demand. A Democrat in politics, Mr. Lerch from youthful manhood took a deep interest in political affairs, and was one of the young men of his ward who could always be relied upon for party service. This brought him to the notice of party leaders, and he became influential in his ward, the eighth. In 1906 he was chosen to represent that ward in the Common Council, and in 1915 was the choice of his party for the county office, recorder of deeds, an important position he is most capably filling. He is a member of Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons, and Caldwell Consistory, Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pennsylvania, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is a member also of Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Reading, Pennsylvania; the Tall Cedars of Lebanon; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 121, Easton; the Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge No. 45, Easton; Jacksonian Democratic Club of Easton; Palmer Fire Company No. 1; Easton Motor Association; Noble Order of Equines; the Jacksonian Democratic Club of Nazareth; the Northampton Democratic Association of Bethlehem, Concordia Maennerchor of Easton, and the Reformed church at Forks, Pennsylvania.

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**WILLIAM JACOB KUEBLER**—This branch of the Kuebler family was established in Pennsylvania in 1849 by Willibald Kuebler, who came from Baden, Germany, in that year, making a short stay in Philadelphia before making permanent settlement in Easton, Pennsylvania. Here he founded the W. Kuebler Breweries, locating his first plant on a corner near the present circle. When larger and more commodious quarters became a necessity, the present plant was erected, one of the largest in the county. He died in Easton, in July, 1898, aged seventy-two years. His father was a lumberman, operating in that wooded portion of Germany known as the Black Forest. Willibald Kuebler married Mary C. Klusmeyer, who died August 10, 1912, aged seventy years, daughter of Christian Klusmeyer, a noted canal boat builder of his day. Willibald Kuebler was famed for his charities and was one of the sterling characters of his day. He left three sons and a daughter: William J., of whom further; Charles E., Frank A., and Mamie C., now the widow of



Henry Lerch,





Ralph Schertzing, of Peckskill, New York. It is with the career of the eldest son, William J. Kuebler, one of Easton's business men, that this review particularly deals.

William Jacob Kuebler was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, August 30, 1858. He was educated in Easton public schools and Nazareth Hall, a famous school of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, and early entered business life, becoming intimately associated with his father in his enterprises. He has won high standing in the commercial world and has very large business interests. He is head of the firm of W. Kuebler Sons; president of the Kuebler Foundries, Inc.; vice-president and director of the Northampton National Bank of Easton; and is financially interested in many enterprises of lesser importance, but large in the aggregate. He is a man of clear brain and sound judgment, conservative but progressive, and ready with influence and capital to aid in any movement that promises to bring Easton into greater commercial importance. He is a member of the Board of Trade and of other business organizations of the city, lending a hand wherever it is needed.

Mr. Kuebler belongs to all bodies of the York Rite in Masonry, being affiliated with Easton Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; and Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the latter located in Reading, Pennsylvania, the other bodies all of Easton. He is a member of Phillipsburg Lodge No. 395, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Pomfret Club. In politics he is a Democrat; in religious preference he is a member of Zion Lutheran Church.

He married, April 6, 1893, Alice Thume, daughter of Ferdinand and Sabina (Brader) Thume, of Easton, a woman active in church and in charity. Mr. and Mrs. Kuebler are the parents of two sons, Karl Ferdinand and Donald Willibald, both born in Easton. Karl F. is now, September, 1918, in training at Camp Lee, for service at the front, in the United States Army in France. He was educated at Lafayette College. Donald W. is a student at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania.

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**MILTON FLORY**—Milton Flory, who has been the head of the Flory milling business for almost forty years, was born in this part of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, October 31, 1859. He was a son of Solomon and Susan (Bruch) Flory, both of whom were natives of Northampton county, but now both deceased. Solomon Flory, the father, was a butcher, and he conducted his business in Bangor, this State. He was engaged also in the slate business. He was a member of the Evangelical church. He and his wife, Susan (Bruch) Flory, were the parents of six children who grew to maturity. Of these children, Milton Flory, was next to the youngest.

Milton Flory received his education in the public schools of his native locality. His first entrance into the business world was in the capacity of a teamster, in which position he continued for a period of two years. He then engaged in the milling business, which has ever since been his occupation. When, in 1883, Solomon Flory turned over to his son Milton the flour mill established in 1858 at Bangor, Pennsylvania, which had come into his possession some years later, he found a business of small proportion in comparison with that which was transacted on the same mill site in after time. In 1890 and in 1900 he enlarged, and each time equipped the plant with the best and most improved milling machinery that the times afforded. Steam and water were both laid under contribution as power producing agencies; seventy-five pounds of steam and ninety-five pounds of water were needed to produce the one hundred barrels of flour every twenty-four hours, the mill's capacity. A large local trade was created, for the product of the mill was of a superior quality. The balance of the mill's output was transported to points more distant, where the product's quality was equally as well appreciated.

Mr. Flory is one of the leading business men of Bangor, and he has always been ready and willing to assist in anything for the public good. Besides his own private business interests, Mr. Flory occupies other positions of responsibility. He is director of the First National Bank of Bangor, the S. Flory Manufacturing Company and the Blue Water Consolidated Water Company.

Mr. Flory married, in 1881, in Bangor, Martha Speer, of Bangor. They have four children, as follows: Harry; Helen, wife of George Gotshalk; Lila; Marian. Mr. and Mrs. Flory are members of the Evangelical church, and have been active in the work of the church.

**COL. SAMUEL S. HORN**—Scion of one of the useful, patriotic and influential families of Northampton county and the city of Easton, Col. Horn occupies prominent position in his own right, being present city controller, an office he has ably held for several years, elected both on partisan and non-partisan tickets. He is deeply interested in military affairs, showing the martial strain peculiar to the Horns, is active in fraternity and club, and is a strong pillar of support to civic, patriotic or charitable public enterprises.

The Horn family is one of the oldest in Easton and Northampton county, and for over a century and a half have been identified with Easton and its varied interests. In military affairs the Horns have been especially prominent, and their patriotic devotion to country is worthy of special record. The statement is made that the Horn family is of German origin, and records show a number of this name arriving in this country in the late eighteenth century, but it appears from an old newspaper clipping that in 1731 John Philip Horn, a Scotchman, landed in Philadelphia; that later, two of his sons settled in Easton, and one of the latter had seven sons and a son-in-law in the Revolution. While this does not appear to be exactly correct, it evidently referred to Abraham Horn, Sr., and his several sons who served in the War of 1812, Abraham Horn, Sr., probably a son of one of those two who settled in Easton. As early as 1755, Stephen and John Horn were residents of Easton, contributed in the work of building the first school house of the town, and were enlisted with the Provincials in guarding the town during the Indian troubles.

Abraham Horn, Sr., must have been the son of one of these, as was probably Nicholas Horn, and there may have been other children, but little is known of the history of the writer except of the family of Abraham Horn, Sr., whose descendants have been identified in this section with local history. In the first census of the United States in 1790, only the heads of the family were named, and names were sometimes spelled to agree with the taste of the census taker, but thirty families by the name of Horn are given. In Northampton county is given George Horn himself, one male under sixteen, and four females; John Horn himself, two males over sixteen, one male under sixteen. As Abraham Horn, Sr., and Nicholas Horn are recorded as serving in the Revolution, it is probable they were the "two males" over sixteen.

Nicholas Horn is recorded in vol. 8, fifth series, Pennsylvania Archives, as being commissioned July 9, 1776, as captain of the Third Company, Pennsylvania Militia, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Peter Kechlein, and an abstract from the War Department shows his service as a private in George Jenkins' company, Second Pennsylvania Regiment, commanded successively by Major William Williams and Col. Henry Bicker; enlisted January 28, 1777, transferred in 1778 to Capt. Joseph Howell's company, and discharged January 1, 1783.

Abraham Horn, Sr., was born in Williams township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 31, 1757. "Pennsylvania in the Revolution" records him as being appointed a sergeant January 5, 1776, in Col. Arthur St. Clair's second Pennsylvania battalion, Capt. Thomas Craig's company to November 25, 1776, and War Department records quote in abstract as follows:



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Abraham Horn was sergeant in Capt. Thomas Craig's and Captain Bunner's companies, Second (subsequently Third) Pennsylvania Regiment, commanded by Col. John Wood, and further that he was a drummer in Capt. Robert Connelly's company, Fourth Pennsylvania Regiment, Continental forces, commanded by Colonel Cadwallader, from March 14, 1777, to January 1, 1781.

In the War of 1812, War Department records show that he served as lieutenant-colonel of First Riflemen (Humphreys'), Pennsylvania Regiment, discharged December 19, 1814. In connection with this, a little later reference in this article shows the service of his sons and sons-in-law in the same war. In 1798, Abraham Horn, Sr., completed the first bridge over the Lehigh river at the foot of Pomfret (now South Third) street, Easton. It was a structure 22 by 280 feet, and through faulty design collapsed before it had been officially accepted, a complete loss to the builder. The "History of Easton" quotes him in 1807 as the proprietor of the "Golden Swan" Hotel, later known as the Swan, subsequently as the Stirling, and now Whitlock Inn. He was the first president of the Humane Fire Company when it was organized in 1797, and otherwise prominent. Abraham Horn, Sr., married Susanna Hay, daughter of Melchoir and Susanna (Brotzman) Hay, and a granddaughter of Malcolm Hay, the ancestor of the Hay family of Easton. By this marriage he had nine children: Abraham, Jr., John, Charles, Catherine, Melchoir Hay, Samuel, Joseph, Susan Gertrude and William. He died May 22, 1826, and with his wife is buried in St. John's Burying Ground, Easton.

Abraham Horn, Jr., first son of Abraham Horn, Sr., was born April 4, 1777, died May 3, 1839, and buried in Easton Cemetery. He served as captain in Humphreys' First Riflemen, in which his father was lieutenant-colonel. This company was raised to sixty men in one day, and on their departure were presented with colors by Miss Rosanna Beidleman. He was the seventh postmaster of Easton, appointed March 9, 1829, under President Jackson, and served ten years, during Jackson and Van Buren administrations, until his death. He was a carpenter and builder, a member of the Legislature, and either he or his father was county recorder from 1803 to 1809. After his death he was succeeded as postmaster by his son-in-law, Abraham Coryell, who served under Presidents Van Buren, Tyler and Polk. Mr. Coryell was the father of Fannie Coryell, who so long conducted the circulating library so popular with Easton readers.

John Horn, second son of Abraham Horn, Sr., was born March 15, 1782, died May 19, 1851, and is buried at Tyrone, New York. He was a first lieutenant in Capt. Abraham Horn, Jr.'s, company (Humphreys' First Pennsylvania Riflemen) in the War of 1812. He married Elizabeth Leidig, who is buried at Addison, New York.

Charles Horn, third son of Abraham, Sr., was born November 16, 1784, died March 1, 1852, and with his wife, who was Elizabeth (Deshler) Horn, is buried in St. John's Burying Ground. In the War of 1812 he served in Capt. Peter Nungesser's company, Second (Bache's) Pennsylvania Light Infantry, as musician and drum major. He also was drum major in "Easton Union Guards," which was formed in 1816.

Melchoir Hay Horn, fourth son of Abraham Horn, Sr., was born December 29, 1786, and died May 31, 1863. He married (first) Isabella Traill, daughter of Robert Traill, by whom he had ten children: Sabilla, Robina, Robert Traill, John Jacob, Isabella Rosanna, Melchoir Hay, Jr., Enoch S. Clark, Sally Ann, Philip Henry Mattes and Maria Louisa. Through this marriage comes the relationship to the Traills, Greens, Shipmans, Mattes, the Catasauqua Horns and others. His second marriage was to Fredericka Cassler, and they were the parents of one son, William Penn, long a letter carrier in Easton, and father of the present city controller, Samuel S. Horn. Melchoir Hay Horn was a sergeant in his father's company of Humphreys' First Riflemen in the War of 1812, with his grandfather as lieutenant-colonel; a member of the "Easton Artillerists," 1821, and orderly sergeant of the "Easton Fenci-

bles," in 1846. He served as county commissioner in the "thirties," and was burgess of Easton from 1842 until 1846.

Samuel Horn, fifth son of Abraham Horn, Sr., was born March 17, 1790. He was never married. He served in the War of 1812 as drummer in the Sixteenth United States Infantry, was drum major in the "Easton Artillerists," and in the Mexican War, at the age of fifty-seven, volunteered, entered the Second Pennsylvania Regiment under Capt. James Miller, and was in every engagement from Vera Cruz to the city of Mexico, where he remained until the treaty of peace was signed. The epitaph on his tombstone in the Easton Cemetery, in addition to his record, reads:

Homeward bound, diseased and wan, the veteran drummer found  
Bedimmed his eye, his wasted form but totters o'er the ground.  
Death sped his arrow, and the deed released his soul  
For heaven. Adieu! Thy drum is hushed, thou'st beaten the last roll.

Joseph Horn, sixth son of Abraham Horn, Sr., was born October 8, 1791, died May 21, 1871, and buried with his wife Catherine, in St. John's Burying Ground. From Joseph Horn comes the connection with the family of Dr. Evans. He was in his father's company in the War of 1812 as musician, and also held membership in the "Easton Union Guards" and the "Easton Artillerists."

William Horn, youngest son of Abraham Horn, Sr., no available records as to his birth, was drowned in the Lehigh river on a Sunday while crossing on the ice, and his body was not recovered for several days. He served in the War of 1812 as a private in John Rawlin's company, of Lower Merion (First Battalion, Uhle's Riflemen). There is family data that he also served as adjutant in the same regiment as his grandfather, but no War Department records state this fact.

Catherine Horn, daughter of Abraham Horn, Sr., married a Rohn, from which comes the connection of the Rohn and Horn families.

Susan Gertrude Horn, the other daughter, married Jacob Bossler, who was also a member of Capt. Abraham Horn, Jr.'s, company in the War of 1812.

The foregoing covers the family history of Abraham Horn, Sr. Of the family of Melchoir Hay Horn, Sr., who more lately have been interested in Easton history, Robert Traill Horn was prominently connected with the progress of Easton as the senior member of Horn, Steinmetz & Company, prominent contractors and builders of their time. Robert T. Horn married Eleanor Odenwelder, connecting the Horn and Odenwelder families, and by his daughters the relationship to the Hartungs and that of John Bachman, of the Phillipsburg Bank, is established.

Melchoir Hay Horn, Sr.'s, other sons, John J., Melchoir, Enoch S., Clark and William Penn, were all Civil War veterans. John J. Horn entered the Union service as captain of Company E, Twelfth Pennsylvania Reserves; Melchoir, as colonel of the Thirty-eighth Pennsylvania Regiment; and William P., in the active service during the War between the States. Of Melchoir Hay Horn, Sr.'s, daughters, Sabilla married in the Shipman family, Robina into the Van Horn family, and Isabella in the Kurtz family.

The military instinct still prevails in the Horn family. Robert T. Horn, son of Capt. John J. Horn and always known as "Bob," was in service in the Easton Grays, and later in the Easton City Guard, successively known as Company E, Eleventh Pennsylvania National Guard, and Pennsylvania Infantry Company, Thirteenth Regiment, and the organization of which is now a part of the Rainbow Division in France in the great World War. Removing from Easton, "Bob" has become quartermaster in the Pennsylvania Reserve Militia, in which his son "Jack" is also serving.

The present representative member of the family is Samuel S. Horn, who, while not in the military service, is generally known as "Colonel" Horn, having been active in local military work for many years. His title comes as

the result of his activity in the organization of the Sons of Veterans, being a past commander of the order in Pennsylvania, formerly titled colonel, and also as commanding the regiment of Sons of Veterans in the Lehigh Valley, which have maintained a military body for many years. Many of the boys now in service had preliminary training under Colonel Horn prior to their entrance into State and National service. Colonel Horn was the original first sergeant of the Easton City Guard before it was sworn into service in hopes of active duty in the Spanish-American War, but owing to a slight physical defect at that time, and the examination being strict in view of probable National service, he was obliged to relinquish his desire for active military service.

Samuel S. Horn, grandson of Melchoir Hay Horn, Sr., and his second wife, Fredericka (Cassler) Horn, and son of William Penn and Mary (Trauger) Horn, was born in the city of Easton, Pennsylvania, June 22, 1870, and was educated in the city schools. He early entered business life, has won his way through varying stations, and is the present capable secretary, director and manager of the T. T. Miller Hardware Company, a leading hardware corporation of Easton, located at Nos. 30-32 North Fourth street. He ranks high among business men, and is one of the highly esteemed men of the hardware trade, widely known as one to be trusted and relied upon under all circumstances.

A Republican in politics, Colonel Horn has always taken a deep interest in public affairs. In 1911 he was the nominee of his party for city controller, and was elected by a large majority. At the end of his first term of four years the commission form of government had gone into effect, and he became the nominee on a non-partisan ticket, passing the ordeal of the primaries and of the general polls without opposition, thus succeeding himself in the office. During his now seven years in the city controller's office he has wrought needed changes, and the system of municipal records now in such satisfactory use may be largely attributed to his efforts to remedy the difficulties he found existing for those wishing to obtain authentic copies of records. In fraternal circles he is widely and favorably known. His Masonic bodies are: Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Bloomsburg Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and the Tall Cedars of Lebanon. In Odd Fellowship he is a member of Lehigh Lodge No. 244, and he also is affiliated with Easton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Patriotic Order Sons of America, Camp 407; Sons of Veterans, Camp No. 233; the Humane Fire Association; the Northampton Historical Society; the Travelers' Protective Association; Easton Motor Association; and the Easton Board of Trade. His clubs are the Kiwanis and Riverside Canoe, of which he is president, and the McKinley Republican, of which he is treasurer. In this present world's crisis he is a member of the Northampton County Committee of Public Safety and Pennsylvania Home Defense Police.

Colonel Horn married, September 14, 1893, Laura Mount, daughter of Abraham and Mary Ann (Allen) Mount. Colonel and Mrs. Horn are members of St. John's Lutheran Church, Easton.

**THE LAUBACH FAMILY**—This large and honorable family claims as its common ancestor Christian Laubach, who, together with his wife, children and his father, Reinhart Laubach, aged seventy years, landed at Philadelphia, September 16, 1738. Along in the same ship came Andrew Lerch and his two sons, Peter and Anthony. It is said that they were friends before departing for America; at least, they settled on adjoining tracts on Laubach's



creek in Saucon township, Northampton county. Soon after their arrival in 1745, Christian Laubach erected a saw and grist-mill and added five adjoining tracts of land to the original homestead, some of which are still in possession of his descendants. He was a blacksmith by trade. The records of the Durham furnace show that he had many castings made there, especially iron pots and kettles.

Christian Laubach had been trained as a soldier in the German army. On August 29, 1755, he was appointed captain of the Saucon rangers, and was stationed at various times during the two following years at Rose Inn, Christian Springs, Gnadenthal Mill, and at the various blockhouses along the Blue mountains. A letter, read at the centenary of the Nazareth Inn, June 9, 1871, contains this reference to him:

In this way, during the winter of 1755 and 1756, did the Rose exchange its character of an inn for that of a city of refuge. But it was also for a military post, and suffered from military occupation. This occupation fell in the interval between the 26th of November, 1755, and the 20th of February, 1756, and some of its incidents are the following: In the evening of the aforesaid 26th of November, a company of Saucon rangers, in command of Capt. Christian Laubach, halted at the inn and bivouaced for the night. Having scoured the neighboring woods next day, on receiving intelligence of the enemy's presence in the gap of the mountain, they broke camp at dusk, and when the moon had risen, set out in pursuit. Meanwhile two detachments of mounted men had arrived. These failed to recognize any necessity for their presence, and having dined, departed.

His son, John George Laubach, was a member of the company. The younger sons remained at home, conducting the farm, mills and the blacksmith shop. Christian Laubach was born in Germany in 1699, and died on his homestead November 29, 1768; his wife, Susanna Catharine, was born in 1705, and died March 12, 1770. They lie buried at the Lower Saucon Church, Northampton county. His will bears date, March 4, 1768, in which he says: "I bequeath unto my wife, Susanna Catharine, such household goods as she may desire, also the sum of six pounds sterling money annually; the annual interest of 150 pounds, and a yearly allowance of 10 bushels of wheat, 5 bushels of rye;" unto his son, John George, he bequeathed the sum of 50 pounds; to his daughter, Elizabeth, 30 pounds; to his sons, Conrad and Frederick, all those messuages and tenements consisting of a grist-mill, saw-mill (situated on Laubach's creek), plantation, and five tracts of land, containing 215 acres, granted to him by a proprietary patent, bearing date, April 28, 1762, but subject to payments of certain sums of money, to wit: To his son, John George, 70 pounds; to his son, Peter, 70 pounds. After the death of his wife the rest and residue of his effects were to be divided in equal shares amongst his five sons. Christian Laubach was the father of six children:

- i. John George, born in the fatherland, November 11, 1729, and died October 19, 1802. He was a farmer. He was married to Elizabeth Yonson. They had issue: i. Susan, born November 7, 1757, died 1792. ii. John Michael, born November 28, 1759, died 1800; was married to Elizabeth Weidknecht, and had eight children. iii. John Adam, born August 23, 1761, died February 25, 1828; was married to ——— Berger, and had ten children. iv. John Christian, born June 30, 1762, died July 8, 1823; was married to Anna Mary Fritchey, and died at Danville, Pennsylvania, leaving twelve children. v. Anna Maria, born October 21, 1764; was married to John Jacoby, and had seven children. vi. John, born December 23, 1766, died 1830; removed to Fishing Creek, Columbia county. vii. John Conrad, born March 3, 1768; was the father of three children: Catherine, Pamelia and Mary. viii. Anna Margaret, born January 19, 1770, died March 29, 1856; was married to Dr. Peter Saylor, and had seven children. ix. Catharine, born February 26, 1772, died May 22, 1837; was married to Daniel Weidknecht. x. John George, born March 3, 1774, died January 3, 1863; was married to Elizabeth Riehl, and had nine children. xi. Walburg, born February, 1776, died in infancy. xii. Elisabeth, born April 10, 1779, died in infancy.

2. Johanna Elisabeth, born May 15, 1731, died July 22, 1814; was married to John Adam Kochert; they resided in Lower Saucon township, and lie buried at Lower Saucon Church. No issue.

3. Peter, born 1734, died 1818; was a blacksmith by trade. He was married to Catharine Knepley. About 1750 he removed to Allen township, near Kriedersville, where he conducted a farm and smithy. His family consisted of two sons and three daughters. Adam; and Peter, who married a Miss Stedler, and removed to Columbia county. Adam, born January 20, 1763, died February 28, 1847, obtained the old homestead, where he resided until his death. In addition to farming he conducted a blacksmith shop. To him and his wife, Margaret (Newhart) Laubach, were born the following children: Peter and Joseph, see below. Susanna, born April, 1789, died August, 1826. Elizabeth, born March, 1793. Polly (Magdalena), born March 12, 1795, died May 6, 1854, aged fifty-nine years, one month, twenty-four days. She married Lorenz Schadt, born December 10, 1790, died October 4, 1855, had twelve children, and is buried at the Egypt Church, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. Adam, born March 19, 1797, died October 12, 1852, aged fifty-five years, six months and twenty-eight days; married (first), April 8, 1827, Susanna Snyder, born August 28, 1807, died January 18, 1838; he lived with her eight years and nine months; married (second), Abigail Oplinger, lived with her fifteen years, and is buried at Stone Church, Allen township. Catharine, born March, 1799, died April, 1844. Rebecca, born April, 1801, died September, 1828. Lydia, born July, 1803. John, born August 29, 1805, died March 9, 1882, aged seventy-six years, six months, ten days; married Catharine Lerch, born February 14, 1808, died December 22, 1883; buried at Howertown. William, born January 28, 1808, died October 25, 1859, aged fifty-one years, eight months, twenty-nine days; married Sarah Siegfried, born December 17, 1808, died June 23, 1858. He had twelve children, and is buried at Stone Church.

4. Christian Conrad, born November 24, 1737, died 1813. He married Catharine Houck, of Lower Saucon, *cir.* 1772. He removed to Allen township, near his brother Peter. Issue: Simon, Christian, Conrad, Adam, Catharine, Pamela, Mary, Lillie, Susanna and Sally.

5. Frederick, born May 16, 1744, and died April 7, 1797. He married Catharine Bitting, a daughter of Henry Bitting, of Upper Milford township, Lehigh county. She was a granddaughter of Henry Bitting, of Freinsheim, in the Palatinate. Before setting out for the New World he received a certificate from the church and civil authorities. It is dated April 24, 1723. The church-book in his native parish contains the entries of the following children: Martin; Anna Sophia, born November 22, 1699; John Ludwig, 1702; Anna Katharine, March 9, 1704; Henrich, December 20, 1705; Anna Dorothea Elizabeth, March 7, 1708; Johan Peter, October 5, 1710; Justus, July 2, 1713; and Johanne Juliane, April 3, 1715. Henry Bitting was married to Katharine Reiss, and died December 3, 1747, leaving two daughters: Catharine, married to Frederick Laubach; and Magdalena, married to Adam Englebard; the widow of the latter married Jacob Schaeffer.

Mr. Laubach resided on the old homestead, and operated both the mills and the farm. Both Mr. and Mrs. Laubach lie buried in the Lower Saucon Cemetery. Five of their children reached majority: i. Rudolph, born April 13, 1773, died November 9, 1853; married Maria Huber. ii. Adam, mentioned later. iii. Margaret, born March 14, 1778; married Michael Lutz. iv. Frederick, born August 17, 1784, died May 17, 1851; married Catharine Jacoby. v. Susan E., born May 22, 1786, died October 8, 1868; married Jonas Ruch.

6. Rheinhart, born 1748, died 1785; was married to Margarethe Beidleman. He conducted a farm about two miles southeast of Freemansburg. They had issue: i. John, born June 30, 1768, died May 9, 1840; married to Catharine Lerch. ii. Susan. iii. John George, born 1770, died 1851; married

to Maria Bahl. iv. Leonard, born April 10, 1776, died November 1, 1855; married to Mary Thomas. v. Elisabeth. vi. Sarah, married to Daniel Weidknecht.

Adam Laubach, born June 11, 1775, died November 2, 1811, son of Frederick and Catharine (Bitting) Laubach, was married to Catharine Odenweller, born October 27, 1783, died April 21, 1867, a daughter of John and Elizabeth Odenweller, of Forks township. They resided in Lower Saucon township, and had the following children: i. John, of whom further. ii. Jacob, born March 12, 1806, died August 31, 1807. iii. Elizabeth, born April 24, 1808, died February 9, 1890. iv. Jesse, born July 28, 1810, died December 28, 1893; was married to Maria Eliza Walter, born September 3, 1813, died August 1, 1899, a daughter of George and Sarah (Schumacher) Walter, of Forks township; they had issue: Elizabeth, George, Samuel, John, Adam, Amandus, Josiah, Sarah Ann, Marietta, William F. and Lewis Irwin. The widow, in 1822, was married to William Miller, by whom she had one son, William.

John Laubach, son of Adam Laubach, born May 9, 1804, died December 16, 1867, was married to Anna Walter, born March 28, 1803, died January 28, 1884. They resided on a farm in Lower Nazareth township. Both were members of the Dryland congregation, where their remains lie buried. To them were born nine children: i. Adam, see below. ii. John, born May 16, 1830, died July 25, 1891; married to Matilda Johnson. iii. Barnett, born August 30, 1832; married to Matilda Wagner. iv. William, born May 26, 1835, died December 5, 1906; married to Sarah S. Knecht. v. Robert, born 1837, died 1842. vi. Diana Elizabeth, born December 18, 1839; married (first) to Amandus Hellick, and (second) to Amandus Buss. vii. Richard, born March 6, 1842; married to Matilda Fenner. viii. Reuben, born September 1, 1844, died August 28, 1904; married to Sarah A. E. R. Kohler. ix. Mary Catherine, born November 20, 1846; married to John Henry Rohn.

Peter Laubach, son of Adam Laubach, grandson of Peter Laubach, and great-grandson of Christian Laubach, was born in Allen township, August 24, 1788. He resided on a farm near Howertown, and was a man of great activity. In addition to farming, he conducted a blacksmith shop, store, grist-mill, and engaged in contracting. He supplied large quantities of material used in the building of the Lehigh canal, including the lumber for the building of Schwartz's dam. The old Laubach's mill, which was assumed by Peter and Joseph Laubach, brothers, in 1822, remained in that ownership until 1857, when Peter Laubach died, and at the appraisement of his estate his son, Samuel Laubach, accepted the flour-mill, and he operated the mill until 1861, the year of his death, when his widow and four sons, Allen D., Edward H., Peter J., of the Northampton Brewing Company, and Samuel F., the coal merchant, assumed the management of the flour-mill, and became the Samuel Laubach Estate, of Laubachsville, Pennsylvania, now Northampton. In 1808 the estate of Samuel Laubach sold the mill and interests to the Mauser Mill Company, large and heavy shippers of flour. Peter Laubach is still remembered in his community for his firmness and kindness. He was a faithful member of the Howertown Reformed Congregation, and contributed liberally to its support; and here his ashes and those of his good wife rest. It was at his house, April 30, 1833, that about sixteen of his neighbors gathered and that it was decided to erect a union church at Howertown. It is said that at that time the Laubachs owned forty per cent. of the land in Allen township. He died September 7, 1857, and his wife, Elisabeth (Neligh) Laubach, who was born December 30, 1780, died April 2, 1871. To him and his good wife were born the following children:

i. Joseph, born April 30, 1810. He was married to Phoebe Hess. He lived at Catasauqua, where he conducted a store and coal yard at Biery's Ford, and was postmaster for many years. He had issue: William, Frank and John.



2. John, born June 13, 1812, died February 15, 1879; was married to Esther Biery, born April 19, 1813, died February 18, 1873. They lived on a farm near Howertown, and their remains lie buried at Howertown. They had children: Margaret; Stephen J.; Sarah, residing in Kansas, and son Owen, who died during the Civil War.

3. Peter, born November 14, 1817. He obtained the old homestead. He removed to Maryland, from whence he returned later, and died soon thereafter. He married Amelia Becker, daughter of Rev. Dr. Jacob Becker, president of the Theological Seminary in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and who served the congregations in Kreidersville, Schoenersville, Norristown and Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and they were the parents of the following children. i. Dr. Amandus J., served in a volunteer company during the Civil War, and died at Fort Wayne, Indiana, and was twice married, the first time to Minnie, a daughter of the late Hon. Samuel McHose, who was the first mayor of Allentown, and the second time to a daughter of Robert E. Wright, Sr.; his son, Gen. Howard Laubach, graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1890, now resides in Washington, District of Columbia, and has always been in the regular army. ii. Dr. George, who removed West and died. iii. Thomas, a merchant in Rochester, New York. iv. Malinda, married to George Baer, of Howertown. v. Peter. vi. Mary, Mrs. William Landis, of Bath, Pennsylvania.

4. Samuel, born in Allen township, January 10, 1821. He received his early training in the public schools, and as a young man was a clerk for his father in the mill. Upon his father's death he accepted the mill as a part of his inheritance, and in partnership with his uncle, Hon. Joseph Laubach, continued until the time of his death, February 18, 1863. At the time of his death, though a comparatively young man, he was the most prominent man in the western part of Northampton county, and was given the complimentary nomination of the Republican party for the State Senate. He was one of the founders and the first directors of the Catasauqua National Bank. He served as deacon and elder in the Howertown Reformed Congregation, where his remains lie buried. He was married to Lucy Hess, a daughter of David Hess, born October 18, 1784, died March 22, 1832, of Allen township, whose remains lie buried at Stone Church. To him and his wife were born the following children: Allen D.; Edward H.; Peter J.; Amanda E., married to Rev. John F. DeLong, D.D.; and Samuel F.

5. Reuben, born October 1, 1823, died, unmarried, July 13, 1843.

6. Anna M., born November 28, 1825, died, unmarried, July 2, 1848.

7. Adam, see below.

8. Thomas, born December 13, 1830, was married to Amanda, a daughter of David Bleim, 1856. He pursued farming in Whitehall township, and later in Allen township, until 1886, when he removed to Bethlehem, where he died recently. They had issue: Clinton D., James F., Jane L., Mrs. A. P. Spengler, and Mary L., Mrs. H. O. Smith.

9. Levina, born December 13, 1832, died March 1, 1838.

10. Eliza, married to Aaron Bachman, of Lower Saucon.

11. Sarah, married to Samuel Hess.

12. Magdalena, married to Edward Schreiber. (See Schreiber family.)

Joseph Laubach, son of Adam Laubach, was born April 30, 1810. He attended the local schools, and spent one year at Easton Academy. In 1830 he entered into the employment of J. and M. Butz, millers and merchants at Easton. In 1839 he removed to Laubachsville, now Northampton, where he conducted a general store, coal and lumber yard, and grist-mill in partnership with his elder brother Peter. In 1840 he was elected county auditor and re-elected twice. During the years 1848-49 he served as State Representative, and in 1855 was elected State Senator, and in both capacities he served with honor and distinction. He was known particularly for his honesty and integrity. In 1861 he was elected associate judge of Northampton county and twice



re-elected. He was president of the Northampton Savings Bank until it was changed to a national bank, serving also in the latter institution in the same capacity for a period of one year, also the president of the Lehigh Valley Iron Works at Coplay, and for many years president of the board of trustees of the Allentown College for Women. In 1870 he removed to Bethlehem, where he was actively engaged in various pursuits until the time of his death, November, 1884. His remains lie buried at Howertown. To him and his wife, Eliza (Schwartz) Laubach, were born two daughters: Mrs. Dr. Hornbeck, and Mrs. Edward Klotz, son of Congressman Klotz, and a son James, who died in his fifteenth year.

Edward H. Laubach, son of Samuel Laubach, was born September 1, 1852, at Laubachsville, now Northampton. He received his training in the public schools, Allentown Military Academy, Coopertown Seminary, and Franklin and Marshall College. After spending one and a half years at the latter institution, he returned home to manage his father's estate, which consisted of grist-mill, general store, coal and lumber yard, post-office and considerable real estate. Though young in years, he was very successful in its management, and was assisted by his brother Peter J. At the age of twenty-two he was elected school director. This was the only public office he served until 1890, when he was elected State Senator, was re-elected in 1894, and served until the close of the session of 1897, when, his seat, having been contested, he was removed. Soon after reaching his majority he was elected county committeeman of the Democratic party, which position he occupied for many years. He was frequently chosen delegate to county and State conventions, and for four terms served as county chairman. His long service in politics, his wide experience, sound judgment and diplomacy made him an almost ideal legislator. After his senatorial career he devoted himself entirely to business, being associated with his brothers in the Laubach Company, of which he is the secretary.

In 1876 he was married to Elisabeth Stewart, of Catasauqua. She died February 7, 1885. This union was blessed with three children: 1. Samuel T., a graduate of Lehigh University; employed as a mechanical engineer at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; married to Mayme Wolfe, of Lewisburg; they have one son, Edward. 2. Mabel, a graduate of the Allentown College for Women; married to Edward C. Nagel, a member of the Northampton county bar, and is the mother of three children: Elisabeth, Louise and James. 3. James Howard, a graduate of Lehigh University and West Point Military Academy; is a lieutenant-colonel in the United States Army, was stationed in Italy, but has returned safely from this post; married to Edith Purcell, of Easton, and they are the parents of two children.

Adam Laubach, son of Peter and Elisabeth (Neligh) Laubach, was born November 9, 1827, in Allen township. In his youth he attended the public schools and as a young man he entered the office of his father's mill. In 1858 he established a general store, coal yard, lumber yard, and sand depot at Siegfried for upwards of forty years, and served as school director for a period of fifteen years. He was a faithful member of the Howertown Reformed Congregation, and for many years the treasurer of the union congregation. It is recorded of him that he was "kindhearted, philanthropic and public spirited." He died from the injuries received in a runaway at Siegfried Station, June 26, 1905.

Mr. Laubach was married (first) to Deborah Stofflet, on September 9, 1849. This union was blessed with three children: 1. Alfred P., see below. 2. Thomas, who died in infancy. 3. Clara J., married to George H. Kleppinger, wholesale grocer of Allentown, she the mother of four children: Bertha, married Rev. Paul Strodach, of Philadelphia; Emma, married Allen Van Nuyl, a wholesale grocer of Allentown; Miriam, married Allen Wesley Nagenbach, an attorney-at-law of Allentown; and Capt. Samuel Kleppinger,



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a graduate of Culver Military Academy of Culver, Indiana, who resides in a fine bungalow near Allentown; he was a captain in the State Militia. Deborah Laubach died August 5, 1862, and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, at the Howertown Church, being the first buried in the same. On February 22, 1864, he entered into wedlock with Caroline Laury, a daughter of the Hon. David Laury (*q.v.*), who survives her husband and who although in her eighty-seventh year, is of exceptionally clear mind and remembers and recalls many incidents in the development of the Lehigh Valley. To her were born three children: 1. Elizabeth, married to the Rev. George P. Stem, pastor of the Egypt Reformed Church; she is a graduate of the Allentown College for Women, and is register of Liberty Bell Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution; she is the mother of two children: i. Laury, a graduate of Lehigh University, is in the employ of the New Jersey Zinc Company at Palmerton, Pennsylvania; during the war he was in the chemical warfare service, Washington, District of Columbia; he is married to Mamie Heffelfinger. ii. Caroline, a senior at Hood College, Frederick, Maryland. 2. Samuel, deceased. 3. Minnie, who resides with her mother at the old homestead.

Alfred P. Laubach, son of Adam and Deborah (Stofflet) Laubach, was born December 19, 1854. He was educated in the public schools, Weaversville Academy, the Keystone State Normal School, and Lafayette College. He was associated with his father in the mercantile business at Siegfried, now Northampton, and later served as postmaster of Siegfried. In politics he is a Republican, and stands high in the council of the party. He served as county committeeman, and has been frequently chosen county and State delegate. In 1896 he was elected county treasurer, being the first Republican ever elected to that office in Northampton county. Upon the organization of the Cement National Bank of Siegfried in 1900, he was made a director, he served as vice-president from 1901 to 1903, as president from 1904 to 1910, and since has been its trusted cashier. Under his conservative policy and able leadership the bank has become an important factor not only of the financial life of Northampton, but in all the Lehigh Valley. By his encouraging thrift among the young people, by the courteous and fair treatment which the bank ever accords, and by the personal interest which is shown by the bank in the business and welfare of its patrons, the bank has won its way into the confidence of the people and has attracted large deposits. This bank in particular contributed very largely to the success of the various Liberty Loan campaigns in Northampton during the World War.

Mr. Laubach is a member of the Howertown Reformed Congregation, in which he has served as deacon, elder and trustee, and is treasurer of the joint consistory. Upon the death of his father he succeeded him as secretary and treasurer of the Cemetery Association. He is very fond of children, and was one of the prime movers and chief patrons of the playground movement in Northampton. As a youth he accompanied his father to the battlefield of Gettysburg, and heard the immortal Abraham Lincoln deliver that famous Gettysburg address. Mr. Laubach is the treasurer of Chapman Lodge No. 637, Free and Accepted Masons. Though Mr. Laubach is approaching three-score and ten, he is very active, not only in the interests of the bank but in whatever pertains to the welfare, uplift and happiness of his fellow men.

In 1878 he was united in marriage with Emma R. Bleckley, a daughter of William and Rebecca (Harleman) Bleckley, of Bath, Pennsylvania. After sharing their joys and sorrows for forty years, she departed this life April 7, 1918. Their union was blessed with three children: 1. Howard, who is engaged in the real estate and insurance business at Northampton, married to Stella Nace, and has two children, Catherine and Christine. 2. Irene, whose husband, the late Dr. Robert Follweiler, died January 26, 1913, leaving one son, Alfred David. 3. Helen, married to Dr. Mahlon G. Miller, who enjoys a large practice in Northampton, and they have one child, Harriet.



**LAURY FAMILY**—Mrs. Caroline (Laury) Laubach, wife of Adam Laubach, of Siegfried, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, traced descent to Michael Laury, who descended in direct line from the house of Maxwellton, an illustrious family of Dumfriesshire, Scotland. His birthplace was on the picturesque River Neth, which joins Solway Firth, about ten miles south of the city of Dumfries, and from there he went to Germany for political reasons, his safety being endangered. At Würtemberg he married a Miss Gottshalk, and with his bride came to Pennsylvania, arriving in Philadelphia in 1756, their first child, Godfrey Laury, being born in Philadelphia, November 22, 1756, and there too their second son, John Laury, was born.

Sometime after the birth of the second son, Michael Laury, with his wife and two sons, settled on Falls Creek, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. When the call came for soldiers to battle for the cause of Independence, Michael Laury and his two sons, Godfrey and John, joined the Continental army, Michael, who was then sixty years of age, giving as a reason that he was "homesick" for his two sons. All three fought in the battle of Monmouth in 1777, and there Michael Laury was killed. He was buried in the cemetery at now Warrenville, Somerset county, New Jersey. His son Godfrey was overcome by the heat on June 27, 1824, and died at Unionville Church before the arrival of his brother John, who was on his way to church at the time his brother was stricken. Godfrey Laury was buried at Unionville Cemetery, his grave being decorated with a Daughters of American Revolution marker, placed there by Mrs. Caroline (Laury) Laubach, his great-granddaughter.

David Laury was born at North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, June 1, 1805, and died at Laury Station, Pennsylvania, September 27, 1883. He was educated in the German tongue, but his school privileges were limited, and later, feeling the need of advancing his knowledge, he devoted his evenings to study, and while working as an apprentice at the blacksmith's trade he would have his book nearby. In this way he became a well informed man, and had not only the knowledge of books but a knowledge of men. He worked at his trade and on the farm until 1832, then moved to Slate Dam on the Lehigh river, where he engaged in merchandising with the firm Rupp & Shifferstein. Later they dissolved partnership, Mr. Laury continuing the business under his own name. He next built a large grist-mill, which proved a most profitable enterprise. At one time, in company with James Newhard, he assumed the agency for the Union Slate Company of Baltimore, and in 1884 with James M. Porter, Samuel Taylor, Thomas Craig and Robert McDowell he engaged in slate quarrying at Kerns Mill, now Slatington, Pennsylvania. He became locally prominent, and when the building of the Lehigh railroad was first agitated he strongly supported the project, and helped to raise money for the first survey. When the road was finally located, he donated ground for the station at Slate Dam, and when the road was opened in 1855 he was appointed express, freight, ticket and station agent at Laury's Station, so named in his honor. Slate Dam passing away. Laury's Station, a village on the Lehigh river, nine miles from Allentown, possessed advantages as a summer resort, and as Mr. Laury was the principal land owner he built a hotel, and in time the village became a well known resort. He was also the pioneer of Laury's Island, on the Lehigh, a very popular picnic resort. In 1870 he was elected president of the North Whitehall Building & Loan Association, and for nine years he gave personal attention to its affairs. He continued station agent at Laury's as long as he lived, and kept close supervision of all his business affairs. He was a man of keenly sagacious mind, honorable and upright, and very enterprising and energetic, knowing no such word as fail.

Nor was he simply a business man; on the contrary, he was closely connected with matters political and wielded a strong influence. His interest in



David Laury



politics began in 1838 when, with seven other Democrats from Lehigh county, he attended a State Democratic convention at Harrisburg. That was known as the Young Men's Convention, and a result was the nomination and election of David R. Porter. In 1846 he was nominated for the Legislature from the district formed by Carbon and Lehigh counties, but was defeated. In 1850 he was again nominated by the Democracy and elected, serving four years. In 1856 he was a presidential elector, and cast his vote for James Buchanan at the meeting of the Electoral College at Harrisburg on December 3, of that year. In 1853 he had been appointed postmaster of Laury's Station, and acted as such until 1861, when he was reappointed by President Lincoln, and successively reappointed until his death, although an ardent Democrat and the administrations from President Lincoln continuously Republican. In 1865 he was elected justice of the peace for North Whitehall township, and in 1867 he was appointed by the courts of Lehigh and Northampton counties to represent the district in the Board of State Revenue Commissioners for adjusting the amount of taxation to be raised in the different sections of the State. In 1868 he was elected associate judge of the courts of Lehigh county for a term of five years, and at its expiration was re-elected for a similar term, serving with distinction and honor.

Judge Laury was a representative of the militia when such military organizations were important factors in every State government, and he held various commissions, beginning as captain and passing through all ranks to that of major-general. He cast his first presidential vote for Andrew Jackson, and was a leader in the Democratic party until his death. In 1838, with Robert McDowell, he established the Slate Quarry Sunday school, the first Sunday school in Lehigh county outside of Allentown. For years he was superintendent of the St. John Lutheran Church Sunday school at Laury's Station, and was a member of the committee which built the church edifice. He was also associated with the Slate system of public education.

Judge Laury married, August 12, 1827, Maria Kline, daughter of Jacob Kline, of Louhill township, Lehigh county. Mrs. Laury died March 12, 1878, their married life covering a period somewhat in excess of half a century. Judge and Mrs. Laury were the parents of ten children: Mary, married Thomas Newhard; Henry Kline; Caroline, married Adam Laubach; Lewis Kline, deceased; Maria, married Dr. Stephen Ruch, of Elmira, New York; Josephine, married George F. Kimball; Leah, deceased; Rebecca, married Joseph Bibighaus; David John Jacob, deceased; Alexander Charles Peter, succeeded his father as postmaster and station agent at Laury's Station.

The career of David Laury was one of usefulness, activity, honor and interest. There was probably no man of his time in Lehigh county whose influence in public affairs was more widely extended or more beneficial. His intelligence, sagacity and force of character did much in moulding and shaping the Democratic party of the county, and for many years he gave the full force of his splendid powers to advancing the principles of his party. He was a man of strong convictions, never hesitated between two opinions, and always courageously supported every principle he believed in. He supported his religious convictions as strongly as he did his political opinions, and during a long period in the public eye he was ever found faultless in honor, fearless in conduct, and stainless in reputation.

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**THE ADAMS FAMILY**—Among the earliest members of the Adams family who emigrated to America were Henry Adams, of Braintree, Massachusetts, Robert Adams, of Oxford township, Philadelphia county, and Walter Adams, his brother, all of whom it is said were descended from Lord John Ap Adams, son of Ap Adams, who "came out of the Marches" of Wales. Thomas Adams, brother of Henry Adams, of Braintree, Massachusetts, was one of the grantees named in the charter of Charles I in 1629. He was high sheriff and lord mayor of London.



Henry Adams, with his eight sons, settled at Mount Wollaston, in Braintree, and Walter and Robert Adams were his brothers. It is thought, however, that they came to this country at a later date. They settled in Pennsylvania and, like the majority of the early colonists of that State, Walter Adams was a Quaker.

The earliest record of the English branch of the Adams family is that of John Ap Adams, of Charlton Adams, in Somersetshire, who married Elizabeth, daughter and heiress to Lord Gowrney, of Beviston and Tidenham county, Gloucester, who was summoned to parliament as baron of the realm, 1226 to 1307. In the upper part of a Gothic window on the southeast side of Tidenham Church, near Chopston, the name of John Ap Adams is still to be found, together with arms: Argent in a cross gules, five mullets or, of Lord Ap Adams. The design is probably executed on stained glass of great thickness and is in perfect preservation. This church originally stood within the boundary of Wales, but at a later period the boundary line was changed so that it is now upon English soil. The arms and crest borne by the family are described as follows:

Arms—Argent in a cross gules; five mullets or, out of a ducal coronet a demi-lion.

The legend is: *Loyal au mort*; and a motto commonly used by this branch of the family is: *Aspire, persevere and indulgence, all other, Sub cruce veritas.*

The following is the line of the direct descent of the Adams family of the Lehigh Valley. (1) Ap Adams "came out of the Marches" of Wales. Lords of the Marches were noblemen who in the early ages secured and inhabited the Marches of Wales and Scotland, living there as if they were petty kings, having their own private laws. These laws, however, were subsequently abolished. (2) Sir Ap Adam, knight, lord of Ap Adam, married Elizabeth, daughter of Lord Gowrney. (3) Sir Thomas Ap Adam. (4) William Ap Adam. (5) Sir John Ap Adam. (6) Thomas Ap Adam. (7) Sir John Ap Adam, knight. (8) Sir John Ap Adam, who was the first to attach the letter "s" to his name. (9) Roger Adams. (10) Thomas Adams. (11) John Adams. (12) John Adams. (13) Nicholas Adams. (14) Richard Adams. (15) Williams Adams. (16) Henry Adams, who is said to have emigrated about 1634. In February, 1641, he was granted forty acres of land near Boston, of which Braintree is a part. His brothers were: Robert, Thomas and Walter. The last named came to America by way of the Barbadoes, West Indies, and after living there for a time took up his abode in Pennsylvania.

(1) Walter Adams married Elizabeth ———. Their children were: Richard, Anne, William and Robert. Walter Adams was the brother of Robert Adams, of Oxford township, Philadelphia, who died in 1719, leaving no children; he devised the estate of his nephews and nieces, the children of his brother Walter, and Elizabeth, his wife.

(2) Richard Adams, of New Providence township, now Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, died in 1748. His first wife's name is not known. His second wife was Alice or Aishe Withers, and they were married in 1726. His children were as follows: Abraham, married Aise ———; William, of Braken township, Lancaster county; Isaac, of Coventry township, Chester county; Susanna, married Conrad Custard, or Kistard; Catharine, married John Morris; Mary, married Israel Morris; Margaret; married Paul Casselberry; Elizabeth, married Thomas Bull; Ann, married Jacob Umstadt; Hannah, married Owen Evans.

(3) Abraham Adams died in 1738, and letters were granted to Rachel, his daughter, a spinster. There is mention of two children: Ann and Abigail.

Walter Adams and his brother were brothers of Henry Adams, who came to New England and was a founder of the Adams family there, at Braintree, Massachusetts. Walter, his son Richard, and his son Abraham were Quakers.

Conrad Custard, husband of Susanna Adams (daughter of Richard Adams), owned a large tract of land immediately adjoining the tract surveyed to Ensign John Adams, of Nockamixon township, in 1763.

John Adams and James Adams, possibly and probably brothers, lived in Nockamixon township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. There are few records at Doylestown, Pennsylvania, which bear James Adams's signature. He was also an ensign in the Provincial Service, Associated Companies of Bucks County, in 1747. (See Colonial Records, vol. v., p. 209; also Pennsylvania Archives, second series, vol. ii, p. 505.) This was nine years before John Adams held a like commission in the Provincial Service in the Associated Companies of Bucks County. There is nothing to establish that James Adams and John Adams were related, neither can be found any data of their former residence or whose children they were. The only solution is that they were both possibly sons of Abraham Adams; the latter having died intestate, no list of his children is obtainable. The fact that John Adams held land adjoining that of Conrad Custard is a possible solution, he having been raised by his Aunt Susanna.

Richard Adams, of Providence township, Philadelphia, whose will is dated February 1, 1747-48, and probated March 24, 1747-48, mentions son Abraham's children, Ann and Abigail, then letters were granted to Abraham's daughter Rachel. There at once seems to be some discrepancy, which is most difficult to explain.

James Adams's commission in the Provincial Service, as above stated, was dated in 1747, which tends to show that he might have been disinherited by his grandfather. Then again there is a possibility that James and John Adams are one and the same man, but this is very doubtful, as their names are mentioned distinctly and separately in the old records.

(I) John Adams, ensign, Provincial Service, of Nockamixon township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, died in Nockamixon township, May 22, 1807, and was buried in the old Nockamixon church graveyard. He married Mary ———. His will, dated March 21, 1807, proved June 8 same year, is recorded in Will Book No. 7, p. 278, in the register of wills office, Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

John Adams, of Nockamixon, served in the Provincial Service in 1756. He held a commission as ensign in one of the companies of the Associated Companies of Bucks County. (See Pennsylvania Archives, second series, vol. ii, p. 531.) Capt. William Ramsey was captain of the company in which John Adams served and held his commission as ensign in 1756, and was also from Nockamixon township, Bucks county. John Johnson was the lieutenant of the company. John Adams, of Nockamixon, and Mary, his wife, had the following children: Mary, Elizabeth, Margaret, George, Henry, John, of whom further; Jacob. George and Henry, sons of John Adams, of Nockamixon, served in the Nockamixon Company of Associators in 1775. George was sergeant of the company, and the son John was a soldier in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War.

The first record that we have of John Adams, of Nockamixon, owning any land is a warrant that was granted March 26, 1754, to John Adams, for land in Nockamixon township, Bucks county, upon which a survey was returned for fifty-four acres and one hundred and thirteen perches. A patent for this same land was granted April 26, 1726, to Abraham Freling. John Adams had some trouble with this land, for on May 19, 1763, he entered a caveat against the acceptance of a survey made for Archibald Merrin, which took in the above mentioned land and improvements. (See Pennsylvania Archives, third series, vol. ii, p. 275.) The above land was surveyed by J. Hart, for which he gave a receipt, June 26, 1763, which is recorded in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book No. 32, p. 169. This receipt also mentions the date of the warant, March 26, 1754.

(II) John (2) Adams, private in Capt. Samuel Watson's company, of Durham township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, was a son of John (1) Adams, of Nockamixon township, Bucks county, Penns lvania, born in Nockamixon township, November 3, 1759, died in Durham township, November 12, 1826. He married Christina Klinker, December 15, 1789, at the Tohickon German Reformed Church. Some time after the Revolutionary War he moved into Durham township, where he lived until his death. He is buried in the old Durham church graveyard. Christina Klinker, the wife of John Adams, of Durham, was born in Nockamixon township, October 2, 1747, and is buried in the old Durham church graveyard. She was the daughter of John and Mary Klinker, of Nockamixon township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania.

John Adams, of Durham township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, was a soldier in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. He served as a private in Capt. Samuel Watson's company of the Second Pennsylvania Battalion under Col. Arthur St. Clair. He enlisted February 12, 1776. (See Pennsylvania Archives, second series, vol. x, p. 98.) Several of the members of his company were from upper Bucks county. Captain Watson died at Three Rivers and was succeeded by Thomas L. Moore, who was promoted to major of the Ninth Regiment, May 12, 1779, and was succeeded as captain by John Henderson. The company was transferred or became part of the Third Battalion, Twelfth Regiment, July 1, 1778, and thus became associated with other companies of Bucks county. For his services he received from the State of Pennsylvania two hundred acres of "donation land" in Robinson township, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, which was returned for patent, October 9, 1786. (See Pennsylvania Archives, third series, vol. vii, p. 723.) This land he sold to Hugh Hamill, November 4, 1786, for thirty-seven (37) pounds and ten (10) shillings. The witnesses to this deed were Thomas Delap (Dunlap), John Donnell and Jacob Glassmyer, all residents of Nockamixon township at that date. (Recorder's office, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Deed Book No. D-47, p. 322.) John K. Adams, son of John Adams, of Durham, was a soldier for some time during the War of 1812-14, private in Capt. John Dornblaser's company. (Pennsylvania Archives, second series, vol. xii, p. 105.)

John Adams, of Durham, and Christina, his wife, had the following children: Elizabeth, Mary, Margaret, John K., Henry, of whom further; Jacob, Samuel, Susan, married Joseph Retschlin, and Daniel.

John Adams, of Durham, was quite a large land owner. In 1706 he owned one hundred acres of land and a grist and saw-mill in Nockamixon township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. On April 20, 1799, he bought of Solomon Lightcap two hundred and sixty-three acres of land. (Bucks County Deed Book No. 30, p. 310.) On April 11, 1808, he bought two tracts, one of one hundred and fifty-five acres and the other of twelve acres. (Bucks County Deed Book No. 39, p. 135.) John Adams, of Durham, died without making a will. It is impossible to give the date when John Adams was mustered out of the service, for the muster rolls of the Twelfth Regiment have practically never been found.

Tax list of Nockamixon township shows the holdings of John Adams, the father of the above John Adams, and his sons, George and Henry, elder brothers of John. John Adams appears as a "single man" first in the year 1785, notwithstanding that he was of age in 1780. He therefore served, in all probability, up to about that date (1784-85) in the Twelfth Pennsylvania Regiment. Capt. Samuel Watson's company records date to November 25, 1776, only.

(III) Henry Adams, of Durham township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, son of John (2) Adams, was born in Durham township, June 17, 1806, died there December 15, 1838, and is buried in the old Durham church graveyard. He married Elizabeth Bitz, August 25, 1828, at her home in Springfield township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. Elizabeth Bitz, of Durham, was born



September 18, 1811, in Springfield township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, and died March 28, 1878, in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. She was the daughter of John and Susan (Riegel) Bitz, of Springfield, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. Henry Adams' will is recorded in Do. lestown, Pennsylvania. It is dated April 28, 1838, and proved December 22, 1838. Henry Adams, of Durham, and Elizabeth, his wife, had the following children: John, Hannah, Catharine, Samuel, of whom further. After the death of Henry Adams in 1840, Elizabeth Bitz was married a second time to Christian K. Nicholas. She had no children by this union. Christian K. Nicholas was born in Nockamixon township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, January 23, 1817, and died in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, November 3, 1893, and was buried in Friedensville, November 7, 1893, and body removed to Nisky Hill Cemetery, Bethlehem, December 16, 1899.

(IV) Samuel Adams, of South Bethlehem, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, son of Henry Adams, of Durham township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, was born in Durham township, July 25, 1837, died in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, February 22, 1902, and is buried at Nisky Hill Cemetery, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He married Susie Weaver, September 14, 1865, at her home in Allentown, Pennsylvania. Susie Weaver was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, May 5, 1847. She was a daughter of Joseph and Salome Weaver, of Allentown, Pennsylvania. Samuel and Susie (Weaver) Adams had the following children: John, Joseph W., of whom further; Henry, of whom further; and Susie.

Samuel Adams, when quite a young man, started out in farming, and then in iron ore mining. He entered the employ of the Thomas Iron Company of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, and was given charge of their mining interests. Mr. John Fritz induced him to come to Bethlehem and accept the position as his assistant in the Bethlehem Iron Company. Here he remained for nearly thirty years, and then had to resign on account of his health. He then organized the Ponupo Mining & Transportation Company, Ltd., and went to Santiago de Cuba as general manager of the Company. Here he bought a railroad for the company, the Ferro-Carril de Santiago de Cuba, and became its president, and also built an extension to the railroad to connect with the company's manganese mines. He remained in Cuba with his family for over two years, when he resigned and returned North. He was in Cuba part of the year 1892, all of 1893, and part of 1894. After returning from Cuba he assisted in forming the Sheffield Coal, Iron & Steel Company of Sheffield, Alabama. He stayed in Sheffield with his family one year, then sold out his interest and came North. While with the Sheffield Coal, Iron & Steel Company he held the positions of general superintendent and assistant treasurer, and also director of the company. He then retired from active business and devoted himself to farming, having a tract of one hundred acres near Friedensville, Pennsylvania, about one hundred and thirty acres above Bingen, Pennsylvania, and a tract of woodland along the Pennsylvania & Reading railroad of forty acres, above Bingen, Pennsylvania. He was also interested in and a director of the following companies at the time of his death: Ponupo Mining & Transportation Company, Cuban Mining Company, Jones & Bixler Manufacturing Company, and South Bethlehem National Bank.

(V) Joseph W. Adams, of South Bethlehem, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, son of Samuel Adams, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, January 19, 1872. He married Reba Thomas, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, daughter of David J. and Susannah (Edwards) Thomas, of Pittsburgh, June 14, 1899, at her home. Reba Thomas was born in Pittsburgh, November 11, 1877.

Joseph W. Adams was educated at the Moravian Parochial School of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the Hill School of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, and the Lehigh University of South Pennsylvania, where he joined the Delta Upsilon fraternity. He started to work in the drawing rooms of the Bethle-



hem Iron Company. He went to Cuba with his father, and was treasurer of the Ferro-Carril de Santiago de Cuba, 1892-93. He was in Alabama as assistant to the general superintendent of the Sheffield Coal, Iron & Steel Company in 1895, and part of 1896. He returned home and took up his studies again at Lehigh University in metallurgy and mineralogy, and then read law for over a year. In 1899 he and his brother Henry formed the Cuban Mining Company, and he was elected secretary and treasurer of the company, and also a director. He is connected with the following companies: Director and vice-president of the South Bethlehem National Bank; director and president of La Paz Mining Company; director, secretary and treasurer of the Cuban Mining Company; director and executive committeeman of Delaware Forge & Steel Company; director and committeeman of Guerber Engineering Company; director of Lehigh Valley Cold Storage Company; director, secretary and treasurer of the Roepper Mining Company; director of Valentine Fibre Ware Company; acting trustee of the estate of Samuel Adams. He is a member of the following clubs and societies; Society of Colonial Wars in the State of New York; Empire State Society; Sons of the American Revolution; Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution; Pennsylvania German Society; and the local town and country clubs; and of Masonic bodies: Bethlehem Lodge, Zinzendorf Chapter, Bethlehem Council, Allen Commandery, Caldwell Consistory, and Rajah Temple. He is captain of commissary, Fourth Regiment Infantry, National Guard of Pennsylvania. His children were: John, born January 23, 1901; David Samuel, born March 15, 1903.

(V) Henry Adams, son of Samuel Adams, of South Bethlehem, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, November 2, 1873. He married Annette Talbot Belcher, of New London, Connecticut, July 9, 1902.

Henry Adams, mining engineer, was educated at the Moravian Parochial Day School of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the Hill School of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, and the Lehigh University of South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where he joined the Delta Upsilon fraternity. He started to work with Thomas Edison at Edison, New Jersey. He went to Cuba, was assistant superintendent, and then superintendent of the Ferro-Carril de Santiago de Cuba. He went South to Alabama and was in charge of the coal and coke department of the Sheffield Coal, Iron & Steel Company at Jasper, Alabama. He went to Mexico and erected an electric light plant for the Mexican National railroad, and then was supervisor of a division of that road. He resigned and was made constructing engineer for Turner Nunn & Company, of Mexico, with headquarters in Pueblo. In December of 1897 and January of 1898 he was in Cuba, in the city of Santiago and the surrounding country, and visited the insurgents several times.

When war broke out with Spain in 1898 he raised the first company of volunteers in the State, with the assistance of Colonel Wilson and Captain Juett, of Bethlehem. He and his company were mustered into the United States service, and he received his commission as captain of volunteers on July 6, 1898. His company was attached to the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment, United States Volunteer Infantry, as Company K, to help complete the Third Battalion. The regiment was in the Third Division, Third Brigade, First Army Corps. Company K, of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment of United States Volunteer Infantry, is mentioned in the "Record of Events which may be Necessary or Useful for Future Reference at the War Department." This company was organized in July, 1898, at South Bethlehem, and mustered in at South Bethlehem, July 6, 1898, which company left by rail for Chickamauga Park, July 7, 1898, arriving in camp, July 19, 1898. Remained in camp until August 26, 1898, when the company left by rail for Camp Hamilton, Lexington, Kentucky, arriving in camp, August 28, 1898. Left Camp Hamilton for regimental headquarters at Wilkes-Barre, Septem-

ber 19, 1898. Company left by rail for home station, September 20, 1898, arriving same day, when company was verbally furloughed for thirty days.

The above is taken from the muster-out roll of the company. The company was mustered into service on July 6, 1898, and was mustered out of the service October 29, 1898. It was the first volunteer company formed in the State of Pennsylvania, and was taken to help fill out the Third Battalion of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment. The other companies were Captain Green's, of Reading; Captain Mercer's, of Summit Hill, above Mauch Chunk; and Captain Moor's, of Towanda.

On Friday evening, April 22, 1898, there was a meeting held in the Fountain Hill Opera House, and a call for volunteers made. These met in Doxon's Hall afterward, and elected Henry Adams, captain; Leighton N. D. Mixsell, first lieutenant; and Dick Enright, second lieutenant. Mr. Enright failed to pass his physical examination and was re-elected. A. Alison Mitchell, of Wilkes-Barre, was appointed in his place. The South Bethlehem Market Hall was used as an armory by the company.

Henry Adams is a member of the Pennsylvania German Society, 1899; a member of the Society of Foreign Wars, Pennsylvania Commandery, 1899; general manager of the Cuban Mining Company at Neuvas, Cuba, 1899-1902, and the mines of this company were discovered by him; a member of the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, and was presented a medal of honor by the society for service in the Spanish-American War; and of Masonic bodies: Fernwood Lodge No. 543, Philadelphia, and Caldwell Consistory, thirty-second degree. He was vice-president and general manager of the San Domingo Exploration Company and San Domingo Southern Railway Company, San Domingo, R. D., West Indies, 1902.

**JOSEPH GEORGE WOODRING**—As the leading exclusive hat dealer in Easton, Mr. Woodring is reaping the reward of a life of earnest, well directed business effort, and in civil life occupies equally honorable position. He is a descendant of French Huguenot ancestry, the earliest member of the line to come to America being Abraham Vautrin (the name in almost every instance having become Woodring in this country), a native of Finstingen, in Lorraine, who sailed from Rotterdam in the brigantine *Richard and Elizabeth*, commanded by Christopher Clymer, arriving at Philadelphia, September 28, 1733. Abraham Vautrin was accompanied by his wife and son, Hans Peter, aged nine years, and three daughters, the youngest of whom was two years old. One of these daughters, Maria Magdalena, became the wife of Paulus Balliet, representative of another ancient Huguenot line which endured terrible religious persecution, and the mother of Col. Stephen Balliet, the renowned soldier and statesman of the Lehigh Valley.

The surname Vautrin fared badly on American soil, the records of the Egypt Reformed Church in old Whitehall township telling the story of the corruption of a good old French name. The name appears as early as the year 1227 on the Bann Roll of Metz, in Lorraine, and again in 1245, 1262 and 1281 on the same roll, in which the bearers are shown to be persons of substance and position. Many of the Huguenots of Lorraine were driven into exile, among them the ancestors of the Northampton county Vautrins (Woodrings) settling in the Sovereignty of Saarwerden probably as early as the year 1600, possibly before that date. They made their home in the village of Kirberg in Lower Alsace, which they helped to found, and where, in 1632, Jean Vautrin was Maire, a position he held for several years thereafter. This Jean Vautrin was probably the father or grandfather of Johan Peter Vautrin, an elder of the Reformed church in Saarwerden, born in 1640, who was buried at Kirberg, April 12, 1713. Johan Peter Vautrin had a son Abraham, who married Katherine Brodt, daughter of Simon Brodt, a burgomeister of Lixheim, Lorraine, to whom a son was born, Abraham, who was baptized

July 11, 1700, and who became the founder of the Vautrin or Woodring family in America. The Huguenots, when driven into exile, deprived in many instances of their wealth and competency, were, of necessity, compelled to work for a living in their places of refuge, among them many gentlemen and noblemen who were unaccustomed to manual labor. The Vautrins adopted milling as a vocation. For generations they owned and operated grist-mills on the borders of Alsace and Lorraine; they built mills on the little streams flowing into the River Saar and on the Saar itself. Abraham Vautrin was the miller of Finstingen on the Saar, and his son, Abraham, who immigrated to America, became the miller at Hirschland.

Of this line was Nicholas Woodring, a stone mason, living in Upper Nazareth. He was a member of the Reformed church, and is buried in Bath, Pennsylvania. He married a Miss Meixell, who bore him sons: Nicholas, Philip, William, Jacob, John and Abraham. One of his daughters married a Moyer, another a Unangst. This review deals with Abraham, father of Joseph G. Woodring.

Abraham Woodring was born in Upper Nazareth township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, January 14, 1823, and there died January 30, 1881. He was educated in the Moravian school at Bethlehem, and when quite young began teaching school. He taught in Bethlehem, Lower and Upper Nazareth townships, and continued an earnest, successful and well loved educator for forty years. A fine penman, his services were much in demand for engrossing and copying, he doing considerable work of that nature for the county at the court house in Easton.

Abraham Woodring was one of the influential Democrats of Northampton county, and under the old Constitution, prior to 1874, served as county commissioner. For twenty-five years he was assessor of Upper Nazareth, his home township, and in many ways he served his community well. He and his large family were members of Dryland Reformed Church, he serving in official capacity and for a number of years acting as superintendent of the Sunday school. While his life was a comparatively short one, fifty-eight years, it was crowded with useful effort, and he left an impression upon his times which was beneficial.

He married Lewaina George, daughter of John and Susanna (Rader) George, of early Northampton families, the name perpetuated in the village of Georgetown, a locality in which the Georges were numerous. Mrs. Woodring was born April 10, 1824, died October 8, 1911, surviving her husband thirty years. Abraham and Lewaina Woodring were the parents of ten children, nine of whom reached adult years: Elmira, married Henry Koehler; Mary E., widow of William Schultz; William H., a prominent stock farmer and lawyer, now engaged in real estate dealings in Allentown, married Mary E. Beck, their son, George B., now his father's partner; Richard A.; Alfred A.; Benjamin F.; Emeline, married Dr. Edward Schnabel; Joseph George, of further mention; Lewaina, deceased, married Jonas Remaly; Cora M., married George F. Fenner.

Joseph George Woodring was born in the village of Georgetown, Upper Nazareth township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1865, youngest son of Abraham and Lewaina (George) Woodring. He was educated in the public school, Nazareth Grammar School, and the Westchester State Normal School, receiving from the last-named institution a teacher's license. He taught for several years in Upper and Lower Nazareth and in Saucon townships, continuing an educator until 1890. In that year he came to Easton and entered the employ of his brother, Richard A. Woodring, a merchant of Easton, dealing in hats and gentlemen's goods. He continued a clerk for his brother until 1895, when he bought out the business of Thomas Daily, a hatter of South Third street, and for ten years he conducted business at the same place. In 1905 he moved to the corner of Fourth and Northamp-



ton streets, the present location of the Northampton National Bank building, there remaining until 1908, when he occupied his present quarters at Nos. 247-249 East Northampton street. There he conducts a very large business, his being the only exclusive hat store in Easton and one of the largest in all Eastern Pennsylvania. The Woodring hat store is the exclusive distributing agency for Stetson hats, handling also the Bosalino hats from the famed Italian hatmaker, and the Ward hats from the English hatter. Other styles and qualities bear Mr. Woodring's name, his private brands being many. He has developed a business quality amounting to genius, and has won public confidence through a policy based upon "quality first" and undeviating adherence to the fairest business principles.

Aside from the management of his private business, Mr. Woodring has in many ways displayed his public spirit and interest in all that pertains to civic life. He has been a member of the Board of Trade since its organization, and fills a position on the membership committee. He is a member of the Easton Rotary Club, the Paxinasa Auto Club, the Easton Motor Association, and is a contributing member of the Young Men's Christian Association. He serves the West Ward Building Association as a director, and is active in St. John's Lutheran Church. In politics he is a Democrat. He is a devotee of out-of-door life, his favored recreations being hunting and fishing.

Mr. Woodring married, October 8, 1895, Elizabeth Brunner Transue, daughter of George Lambert and Deborah H. (Brunner) Transue, of an old French Huguenot family. Mrs. Woodring was born in Easton, and educated in the public schools, being a resident of the city at the time of her marriage. Children: 1. George Transue, born March 2, 1897; educated in the Easton grade and high schools, and Lafayette College, class of 1919, but left college to enter the Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg; was commissioned second lieutenant, September 16, 1918, assigned to duty as training officer at Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois, and honorably discharged from service in December, 1918; then returned to Lafayette College, whence he was graduated with a degree of Ph.B. in June, 1919. He is now in the employ of his father in the retail hat business, and promises to become his successor at some future day. 2. Joseph George, Jr., born March 17, 1900; in 1918 entered the Student Army Training Corps at Lafayette College, completing his freshman year in June, 1919; now taking a business administration course at Pierce Business School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. 3. Carleton Transue, a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1919, now a student in the forestry engineering department at Penn State College. 4. Elizabeth Transue, a student in Easton High School, class of 1922. 5. Earle Douglas, born March 25, 1910.

Mrs. Woodring traces descent from Abraham Transue, a French Huguenot, who came to America in 1730, locating in Montgomery county, later settling in Bucks county, and afterward coming to Northampton county. The census of 1790 records as heads of families in Lower Smithfield township, Jacob, John and Melchoir Transue, the latter then married and head of a family. It was a descendant, Melchoir Transue, born in 1809, died in 1865, a carpenter and builder, who came to Easton in 1845 and opened a general store. He married Anna Lambert, a daughter of George Lambert, and they were the parents of seven children, including a son, George Lambert Transue, born April 21, 1839. He remained in Easton, acquiring his education, then in 1857 went to Philadelphia, there remaining in business until 1870, when he returned to Easton. He was engaged in the grocery business until 1883, then was appointed superintendent of Easton Cemetery, a position he held for thirty-one years, resigning in 1914, and retiring from business cares. In 1873 he organized the West Ward Building Association, the original members being a few of his personal friends. The association has now become a very important one, the annual amount of money collected from members and loaned for building purposes being in excess of three hundred and fifty thou-



sand dollars. Mr. Transue served as secretary of the company, and for forty-three years ably guided its affairs. He married, December 29, 1863, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Deborah H. Brunner, daughter of Manassa and Deborah (Hall) Brunner, descendant of an ancient Quaker family. She was born December 12, 1839, died November 3, 1914. Their daughter, Elizabeth Brunner Transue, married Joseph George Woodring, "the hatter," of Easton.

**THE McILHANEY FAMILY**—The McIlhaney family is one of the oldest in Northampton county, being identified with its interests for over a century and a half. It is one of the few original Scotch-Irish families that have descendants still living in the county. Though it is not certain, the probability, however, is that the ancestor of the McIlhaney family came originally from Milford in the County of Ulster, in the northern part of Ireland. There has been some question as to the original spelling of the name, but a cursory examination shows that most of the members of the family spell it as above written.

The first of the family to settle in Northampton county was William McIlhaney, who came with the Ulster-Scot immigrants and settled, about 1730, in the township of Lower Mount Bethel, known as Martins Creek settlement. We find by the records that in 1768 he possessed three hundred and seventy-three acres of land in two tracts, one of which, containing three hundred and forty-eight and one-half acres, was his homestead. He died intestate in 1773, leaving a wife, three daughters, and a son, James McIlhaney, the heir-at-law. As the partition of the two tracts could not be made without prejudice, the court ordered a jury to make a just and true partition of the same value and appraise the real estate. The property was appraised at £615 9s., whereupon James McIlhaney appeared in court and declared himself ready to accept the same, giving good securities. In the assessment list of taxables of Northampton county for 1780 he is assessed at £1,469, and the records show deeds for five hundred and three acres of land taken out by him between 1768 and 1805. This big tract of land was situated in Lower Mount Bethel township, just across the Delaware river from Belvidere, New Jersey. It included an island in the river just north of the Belvidere Bridge, known up to 1840 as McIlhaney's Island.

James McIlhaney had a son William, who came in possession of a part of the original tract. The latter's son William was born in the old homestead, September 9, 1799. Besides being engaged in agricultural pursuits, he followed the trade of tailor, and lived at what was known as the "Three Churches," near the Lower Mount Bethel Presbyterian Church. He served as postmaster at Martins Creek, under the administrations of Jackson, Van Buren, Harrison and Polk, after which he was elected Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Northampton county. He married Catherine Shultz, who was born May 5, 1805, and died March 14, 1864. William McIlhaney died January 24, 1881. The children of William and Catherine (Shultz) McIlhaney were: 1. Thomas M., born May 13, 1823, died December 15, 1885; for many years he was a prominent citizen and attorney of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, serving for eighteen years as prothonotary of Monroe county; at the time of his death he was president of the Stroudsburg National Bank. 2. Peter, born December 12, 1824, was engaged in farming, and lived for many years in Lower Mount Bethel township. 3. James, born August 22, 1826, died January 25, 1883; was engaged in teaching in Easton, Pennsylvania. 4. Hiram, born August 14, 1828, died May 19, 1886. 5. Mary, born December 8, 1830, married Henry Rasley, died December 17, 1880. 6. Jane, born January 5, 1833, died May 24, 1890. The two sisters lived during the greater part of their life on their father's homestead at the "Three Churches." 7. John M., of whom further. 8. William H., born in 1840, and died in 1918, at Cornwall, New York.

John M. McIlhaney, son of William and Catherine (Shultz) McIlhaney,

was born April 25, 1836. In 1860 he became a resident of Bath, Pennsylvania, served as justice of the peace, notary, and was postmaster during Cleveland's second administration. He died May 30, 1911, in Bath. He married Mary Kinney, a native of Belvidere, New Jersey, January 10, 1863. To this union six children were born: Jesse D., died in infancy; Asa K., of further mention; Harry E., Ella M., Anna C., and Frank T., who died young.

Asa K. McIlhaney, son of John M. and Mary (Kinney) McIlhaney, was born March 12, 1867, in Upper Nazareth township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and for thirty years was a teacher. In religious affiliation he is a Presbyterian. He married, at Bath, Pennsylvania, February 8, 1888, Maggie H., daughter of Samuel E. and Harriet (Stout) Cole, and were the parents of three children: Samuel J., who died young; Ruth B., deceased, who married A. N. Gish; and Marion F.

**CLARENCE A. WOLLE** One of the interesting and aggressive men in Bethlehem, Clarence A. Wolle, is of old Moravian stock, which has been identified for a long period with the growth and development of that region of Pennsylvania.

Clarence A. Wolle was born October 14, 1849, at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the son of Augustus Wolle. His father was born at Nazareth, Pennsylvania, September 8, 1821, but shortly, with his parents, removed to and thereafter resided in Bethlehem, where he died August 11, 1878. His father was John Frederick Wolle, who was born at St. Croix, Danish West Indies (now the Virgin Islands), and was sent to Nazareth, Pennsylvania, by his Moravian missionary parents when he was but four years old. When Augustus Wolle was twenty-four years of age (in 1845) he bought out the Moravian church store of which his father, John Frederick Wolle, for twenty-four years had been manager, the last of the Moravian storekeepers. Augustus Wolle was actively and successfully engaged in general store business until 1870, and his career was a notable one, particularly in connection with the early history of organization of the Bethlehem Iron Company (1857-67); the introduction of machine made paper bags and the establishment of that industry (1852-72); in the roofing slate business, establishing The Chapman Slate Company, and in large slate development in Pen Argyl, Northampton county, Pennsylvania (1865-73).

The mother of Clarence A. Wolle was Cornelia E. (Leinbach) Wolle, born February 3, 1827, at Salem, North Carolina, also an old Moravian town. Her American immigrant ancestor, John Leinbach, came in 1720 from Alsace-Lorraine, and settled in Oley, near Reading, Pennsylvania, a Moravian settlement. The father of Cornelia E. Leinbach, Traugott Leinbach, was born and resided in Salem, North Carolina. He had married, September 30, 1799, Maria Theresa Lange, of Bethlehem. The children of Augustus and Cornelia E. Wolle were as follows: Emily (1846), married William S. Seiger, of Bethlehem, died in April, 1873; Francis (1848), a merchant in Bethlehem, now deceased; Clarence A. (1849), of whom the present biographical sketch is written; Edward S. (1852), for forty years in the service of the Moravian church, and now pastor of the Fifth Moravian Church in the Bronx, New York City; Alice C. (1854), married the Rev. John H. Clewell, principal of the College for Women, Moravian Seminary, Bethlehem; Eugenia (1857), married Rev. F. P. Wilde, for thirty-seven years in the Moravian Mission service at Bethabara, Jamaica, West Indies; Edith (1860), married Edward J. Wessels, of New York; Grace (1864), unmarried, now residing with her brother, Edward S., in New York, and prior to leaving Bethlehem she had been active in public, charitable work and had established, and for years, through her own energy in securing charitable co-operation, supported the Free Library of the Bethlehems; George H. (1867), an electrical engineer, now residing in New York, married Mrs. Evelyn Williamson, and has two sons, Aubrey and Wood, both in the United

States Navy; Elizabeth (1870), married R. Morris Darrach, of Philadelphia, where he died in 1916, leaving one daughter, Elizabeth.

Clarence A. Wolle was educated at the Moravian Parochial schools at Bethlehem, at Nazareth Hall, and at Lehigh University, specializing in chemistry. He was a member of the first class, graduating therefrom in 1869, is now (1919) the last living representative of his class, and is a good type of the scholar of the past generation. After leaving college he entered his father's office, and for some years was active with him in the handling of numerous interests, together with those in the slate industry at Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania. In 1878 and years following he was active with his uncle, Felix W. Leinbach, in the invention of the self-opening square paper bag and a paper bag machine, in which enterprise they were most successful, permanently establishing this tucked square bag, which has become the most popular bag on the market. Up to the present time Mr. Wolle has devoted much energy, time and money in the development of a typographic machine which, by pressure, cuts type into solid type metal slugs, and by keyboard attachment prepares and sets the type into words in line length ready for stenographer, electrotyping or the printer, the characters being perfect and a high speed product.

Mr. Wolle has always taken much active interest in local real estate, his father having also been extensively interested in the same line. In 1857 his father bought a tract of one hundred acres of south side farm land, and was considered very speculative to make such an investment. This land is now in the very heart of the city of South Bethlehem, and has risen enormously in value. In 1883, when central station electric lighting plants were first being established, Mr. Wolle, whose business insight was of progressive quality, took leading part with a few friends in the organization of the Bethlehem Electric Light Company, which is still in successful operation. It is now leased to the Allentown Electric Light Company. It has always been a prosperous corporation, and had a notable career for twenty-three years under the management of Mr. Wolle and his brother George. In 1889 M. Wolle purchased an option on the original charter for an electric street railway—the Allentown-Bethlehem Street Railway—and also on the horse car line in Allentown, and secured the capital which organized and undertook the construction of the line forming the original basis for the organization of the Lehigh Valley Traction Company. In 1898-99 Mr. Wolle, assisted by his brother George, organized and financed the construction of the street railway between Bethlehem and Nazareth. This road was built, and in 1899-1900 was followed by the construction, under the same interests, of the Slate Belt Electric Street Railway, north from Nazareth to Wind Gap, Pen Argyl and Bangor, opening by easy communication the cement and slate regions north. In the eighties Mr. Wolle was a member of Bethlehem Town Council; was also a member and one of the organizers of the Christian Science church in this city.

In December, 1890, Mr. Wolle was married to Clara M. King Evans, of Logan, Iowa; her father was a well known Master Mason, and was prominent socially, politically and charitably. Mrs. Wolle was a normal class student at Boston in 1887 of Mrs. Eddy, and has continued an active Christian Science teacher and practitioner. She is a popular, noteworthy woman, of fine and strong character. They have one child, Dorothy J. B., born January 3, 1896, who was educated in the schools at Bethlehem, graduated with the degree of B.A. from the Moravian College for Women in 1915, and then for three years attended the Leland Power's School of Expression in Boston, and was graduated from that institution in 1918. On June 7, 1919, she was married at her home in Bethlehem to James Allyn Pentz, of Philadelphia, who is now engaged in the cotton textile industry. Soon after his return from naval service overseas in the World War (1919), he was awarded a gold medal for heroism.







LOUIS A. SCHNEEBELI

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THREE GENERATIONS OF THE SCHNEEBELI FAMILY  
IN NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

**GUSTAV ADOLPH SCHNEEBELI**—A half a century ago Adolph and Amelia (Engler) Schneebeli, natives of Switzerland, came to the United States from Germany, where they had been living for a few years, bringing their son, G. A. Schneebeli, now one of Northampton's prosperous and eminent sons. The coming of Adolph and family was in 1864. He lived one year in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and then went to Nazareth. His wife died in 1898, leaving the following children: Gustav A., of further mention; Lizzie; Bertha; Max William; Robert Eugene; and Alexander Levin. Some years later the father retired from business. The family were members of the Moravian church, and on the paternal side, of Swiss ancestors. Adolph, the father, died in 1906.

Gustav A. Schneebeli was born May 23, 1853, in Switzerland, and there began his education. He was still a boy when his parents came to the United States, and at a Moravian school in Nazareth, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, he completed his studies. He began his wage-earning life in the coal region in the employ of Charles M. Dodson & Company, remaining with that company for nine years. For five years subsequently he was a traveling salesman for Louis Kraemer & Company, Stony Creek Mills, Reading, Pa. With this experience he began business for himself in 1886, organizing with Louis F. Kraemer the Nazareth Waist Company, with headquarters at Nazareth, Pennsylvania. The business was begun in a small way, but the excellence of their product quickly attracted the attention of buyers, and enlargement soon became necessary. Quality was a cardinal principle of the firm and was strictly adhered to during the many years which Messrs. Kraemer and Schneebeli conducted the business. The plant grew from year to year, until finally three brick buildings were in use; the original twelve employees had grown to three hundred, and twelve hundred dozen garments were produced daily. Mr. Schneebeli was general manager of the company from its organization until 1906, and the growth and prosperous condition of the business speaks volumes in behalf of his ability in management. In 1906, G. A. and M. W. Schneebeli became owners of the business, which they incorporated under its former name, the Nazareth Waist Company. In 1914, G. A. Schneebeli sold his interest and retired. In 1903 he incorporated the G. A. Schneebeli Company for the manufacture of lace edgings. That company, of which he later became sole owner, employs one hundred hands, and manufactures five hundred thousand yards of lace edgings daily.

The founding and development of the Nazareth Waist Company but fairly introduced Mr. Schneebeli to the business world of his section, and in many other enterprises his business judgment and executive ability have been made manifest. He was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Nazareth, was its vice-president, and is yet a director. In 1899 he, with eleven others, was instrumental in the building of the Bethlehem & Nazareth Electric railroad, was early connected with its management and long was its vice-president. In 1900 the same twelve men were again conspicuous in the building of the Slate Belt railroad, an electric line eighteen miles in length, extending from Nazareth to Bangor. He was the first president of that company, a post he ably filled until he was obliged to lessen his official responsibilities. He was also one of the organizers of the Nazareth Water Company, and of the Dexter Cement Company, being yet a director of the latter, and served the Nazareth Building & Loan Association as president. He was for years secretary of the board of trustees of Nazareth Hall, a school for boys founded in 1743, and is now chairman of the board. In all things he is the public-spirited, progressive citizen, anxious to be of service to his fellow men, and a true son of the country which adopted him in his youth.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Schneebeli was always active in party work and influential in party councils. In 1904 he was elected to Congress from the Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania District, consisting of Northampton,

Carbon, Monroe and Pike counties, a district usually Democratic. He served during the life of the Fifty-ninth Congress, "Uncle Joe" Cannon, speaker, and one of the bills he supported was the Pure Food Law, which protects the public from adulteration of food supply. He made many friends in Washington, was a welcome guest at the White House, and intimate with many men of National fame. He is a member of the Moravian church, and of the Masonic order, belonging to Blue Lodge, and to the various bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Mr. Schneebeli married, in 1878, Carrie E. Schneider, of Loyal Oak, Ohio, and they are the parents of two sons: Ellis Clark, associated with his father in the firm, G. A. Schneebeli & Company, lace manufacturers; Louis F., who died, aged four years. Mr. Schneebeli has three grandsons, children of his son Ellis Clark, as follows: Louis, Adolph and Gustav Adolph.

The following is dedicated to the Young Men's Christian Association of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, and recommended to the Young Men's Christian Association of Pennsylvania by the Hon. G. A. Schneebeli, of Nazareth, Pennsylvania:

*PENNSYLVANIA*

*(Tune America)*

Hail Pennsylvania!  
Banner of States thou art,  
Thy name is great.  
Thy glory is renowned,  
Thy equal is not found;  
Thou art the victor crowned,  
Hail Keystone State.

When William Penn appeared,  
He on thy domain reared  
Eternal fame.  
Fair dealt he with the free  
Red man of destiny;  
His precepts won for thee  
A glorious name.

When galled by British yoke,  
And independence woke,  
Thy sons proved true.  
They to the rescue came  
And won undying fame,  
And glorified thy name  
For Freedom's cause.

Hail Pennsylvania!  
Fairest of States thou art,  
Thee we adore.  
To thee we'll faithful prove;  
We pledge our sacred love  
To thee and God above  
For ever more.

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**JOHN ANDREW MILLER**—John A. Miller, whose active connection with numerous prominent and successful enterprises marks him as a man of business ability and integrity, makes his home in Nazareth, where he is esteemed as a leading citizen, his public spirit in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the community-at-large serving to gain him the regard of his fellow townsmen. Socially, as in his business relations, he ranks high, and his career stands as an example of the success to be won in life by energy combined with talent.

The Miller family is of German origin, the pioneer ancestor being John Miller, grandfather of John A. Miller, whose birth occurred in one of the Hessian provinces, where he resided until the year 1852, when he emigrated to the United States, locating in Baltimore, Maryland, where he was a prosperous merchant. He was a Lutheran in religion, a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married Mary Ashburn, a native of Germany, who bore him eight children, among whom was Conrad, of whom further. John Miller died in Blairstown, New Jersey.

Conrad Miller, son of John and Mary (Ashburn) Miller, was born in Germany, October 20, 1838. He obtained a practical education under private tutors in his native land, and when fourteen years of age accompanied his parents to the United States. His first employment was in a brewing establishment, his remuneration being two dollars per month and board. Later he devoted his attention to merchandising in Baltimore, continuing along this line for six years, and for the following five years, during the Civil War period, served as quartermaster in Washington, District of Columbia, as an employee of the government. He then turned his attention to railroad contract work, and was for two years clerk and walking boss on the Metropolitan branch of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. His next contract was on the Baltimore Shore Line in Ohio, and later he built twenty miles of the South Mountain road near Harrisburg, continuing his work in that line to Blairstown, New Jersey, and he constructed the Blairstown railroad to Delaware station for J. I. Blair in 1876. Two years later he built the Belvidere Water Works, and in the same year constructed the Bangor & Portland Railroad, a distance of eight miles, and was then elected its president and manager; in 1880 he continued its extension to Pen Argyl, and in the following year the road was completed to Nazareth. In company with J. I. Blair he invested to a large extent in the slate quarries, and from 1890 to 1898 he had charge of Mr. Blair's railroad and industrial interests in the West. His prominence in various lines of business led to his appointment to positions of trust and responsibility, and he served in the capacity of president of the Bangor Union Quarry; president and treasurer of the United States Slate Quarry of Pen Argyl; president and treasurer of the Albion Slate Company; president of the Wind Gap and Alpha Slate companies; president of the Kansas City, Osceola & Southern Railroad in Missouri; president of the Chicago, Iowa & Dakota Railroad; president of Kansas City & Westport Belt Railroad; president and part owner of the Illuminating Gas Company, Slate Belt Telephone Company, Electric Light Company, Foundry and Machine Company; president of the Dexter Portland Cement Company; director of the Northampton Cement Company, and of the Nazareth National Bank; and receiver for Jackson Brothers Slate Quarry, the Pen Argyl Slate Quarry, the Excelsior Slate Quarry, and the Diamond Slate Quarry. Mr. Miller was a Presbyterian in religion, a Republican in politics, and a member of Whitefield Lodge, No. 121, Free and Accepted Masons, of Nazareth, Pennsylvania. He married, August 31, 1869, Anna M. Werling, daughter of Andrew Werling, of Muncy, Pennsylvania. Children: John A., of further mention; Sarah Virginia, born March 25, 1874; Margaret Anna, born June 27, 1876. He died March 29, 1912.

John A. Miller, son of Conrad and Anna M. (Werling) Miller, was born in Muncy, Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1872. His education was acquired by attendance at boarding school, Blair Hall, New Jersey, and at Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in the class of 1895. He then went to Bangor, Pennsylvania, where he was engaged in the railroad contracting business until 1901, when he took up his residence in Nazareth, where he has since continued to reside. His business qualifications were soon recognized and appreciated, he being chosen to fill the important position of president of the Dexter Portland Cement Company of Nazareth, Pennsylvania; the Clinchfield Portland



Cement Company of Kingsport, Tennessee; the Albion Slate Company of Bangor, Pennsylvania; the Pen Bangor Slate Company of Wind Gap, Pennsylvania; the Nazareth Foundry & Machine Company; the Dexter Concrete Manufacturing Company; the Alpha Slate Company; and is director of the Nazareth National Bank and the Atlantic Gas & Electric Company. He is also serving as chief burgess of Nazareth. He is a member of Whitefield Lodge, No. 121, Free and Accepted Masons, of Nazareth; Caldwell Consistory, of Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading, Pennsylvania; and is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. He holds membership in the Pomfret Club at Easton, the Northampton Country Club, and is an attendant at the services of the German Reformed Church. He is a staunch Republican in politics.

Mr. Miller married (first) Mary Alice Cope, of Nazareth, daughter of Dr. Thomas Cope, who bore him two children: Conrad C., and Mary Alice. She died February 15, 1901. On May 28, 1904, he married (second) Emily N. Moon, daughter of William W. Moon of Easton, Pennsylvania. Child, John Andrew, Jr., born November 25, 1907.

**FRED RAYMOND DRAKE**—Major Fred R. Drake is head of the firm of Drake & Company, one of the oldest wholesale grocery houses in the United States, and one of the largest in northeastern Pennsylvania. The business was started, in 1836, by his grandfather, John Drake, who in 1837 admitted Derrick Hulick, under the firm name of Drake & Hulick. In 1857 Samuel Drake, the eldest son of John Drake, entered the firm, which then became Drake, Hulick & Company, so continuing until the death of Derrick Hulick, in 1872. Winfield S. Hulick was then admitted to partnership, and the firm name was changed to J. Drake, Son & Company. On the death of John Drake, in 1873, the firm name became J. Drake's Son & Company. In 1877 Winfield S. Hulick retired and Howard Drake entered the firm, which then became J. Drake's Sons & Company. In 1889 Fred R. Drake entered the firm. In 1892 George G. Rambo became a partner. Though Samuel Drake died in 1893, the firm name remained unchanged until 1899, when it was changed to Drake & Company, its present title, with Fred R. Drake, Howard Drake and George G. Rambo comprising the firm. Howard Drake died in 1899, and four years later Jesse S. Carter, head of the credit department for many years, was admitted to the firm. In 1911 George G. Rambo died, having been connected with the business from 1866 until his death, leaving Fred R. Drake and Jesse S. Carter, the surviving partners, comprising the firm at the present time (1919).

(I) The family to which Fred R. Drake belongs was founded in New Hampshire during the seventeenth century, the American ancestor coming from Exeter in Devonshire, England. A branch settled on the banks of the Piscataway river near the present city of Rahway, New Jersey, and from that line came Imla Drake, founder of this branch of the Drake family of Warren county, New Jersey, and Easton, Pennsylvania. Imla Drake, born May 1, 1751, died January 3, 1826. He married Temperance McPherson, born October 15, 1750, died January 13, 1826, only surviving her husband ten days.

(II) Samuel Drake, son of Imla and Temperance (McPherson) Drake, was born April 26, 1774, and after his marriage located on a farm near Asbury, Warren county, New Jersey. He married, March 3, 1796, Catherine Hulshizer, born September 14, 1775, died March 17, 1853, daughter of John Martin Hulshizer, born January 8, 1747, died April 9, 1810, and his wife, Margaret (Mellick) Hulshizer, born August 20, 1757, died February 25, 1822. Samuel and Catherine (Hulshizer) Drake were the parents of five daughters and six sons: Rebecca, married (first) Joseph Osman, (second) Jesse Stewart; Margaret, married Thomas Moffet; Sarah Jane, died in infancy; John, of

further mention; Martin, married Sophia S. Meginley, and moved to Dodge county, Wisconsin; Imla, died in infancy; Temperance, married Luther Calvin Carter; Mary, died at the age of forty, unmarried; Samuel Stewart, married Susan Axford Vliet, and moved to Wisconsin; William, married Rachel Morgan Axford, and for many years resided in Hackettstown, New Jersey; David Andrew, married Lucy Bau.

(III) John Drake, grandfather of Major Fred R. Drake, of Easton, eldest son of Samuel and Catherine (Ilulshizer) Drake, was born at the home farm near Asbury, Warren county, New Jersey, December 19, 1803, and died at Easton, Pennsylvania, April 28, 1873. He remained at the home-stand until twenty-five years of age, then removed to the village of Broadway in the same county, there conducting a hotel and a small country store. He remained there three years, then for two years operated a saw mill and kept a store at Townsbury. Later he was a merchant at Branchville, New Jersey, until 1836, when he located in Easton, Pennsylvania, and inaugurated the business now conducted under the firm name, Drake & Company, now in the eighty-fourth year of its existence. With Derrick Hulick as partner, first as retailers then as wholesalers, they gathered into the town of Easton the produce of the surrounding country, and shipped it to New York and Philadelphia by means of wagons and boats, this being before the era of railroads. While one partner managed the store and finances, the other partner traversed the surrounding country, this method resulting in their virtual control of the trade of a large section of the country surrounding. John Drake, as head of the firm Drake, Wilson & Company, established a line of canal boats between Easton and Philadelphia. He was largely instrumental in the development of the iron trade of the Lehigh Valley, being one of the founders and first directors of the Thomas Iron Company and of the Carbon Iron Company, and was one of the five original owners of the Delaware Rolling Mill. He was a director of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank, later the First National, and in all ways sought to promote the progress of Easton. He was a Whig in his political faith, and when that party outlived its usefulness and gave up the ghost he allied himself with its youthful but vigorous successor, the Republican party.

John Drake married, September 25, 1827, Margaret Stewart, born September 21, 1809, died in Easton, Pennsylvania, June 6, 1877, and with her husband was buried in the Easton Cemetery. She was the daughter of Samuel and Catherine (Carpenter) Stewart, and granddaughter of Thomas and Rachel (Deweese) Stewart; Rachel Deweese was a daughter of William Deweese, of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, and Catherine Carpenter was a daughter of Balser Carpenter, of Sussex county, New Jersey. Samuel Stewart and Catherine Carpenter were married, January 20, 1807. John and Margaret (Stewart) Drake were the parents of six sons and five daughters: Catherine, died in Easton, March 27, 1906; Samuel, of further mention; Thomas Stewart, a lifelong resident of Easton or vicinity, married Mary Ann Pyle; Ellen, married William Branlow Semple; Sarah Stewart, died July 2, 1883, unmarried; Lewis Clewell, shipping agent for the Thomas Iron Company at New York for many years, died unmarried, 1883; Mary Carpenter, died at the age of twenty, in 1862, unmarried; Emily, married James Whitfield Wood, died 1919; Howard, born April 3, 1847, died suddenly at Watkins Glen, New York, July 7, 1899, a member of the wholesale grocery firm of Drake & Company, married Annie L. Shouse; Frank, connected for many years with the firm of J. Drake's Sons & Company, died, unmarried, 1894; John, Jr., with J. Drake Sons & Company, for a time, died, unmarried, at Saylorburg, Pennsylvania, in 1880.

(IV) Samuel (2) Drake, father of Major Fred R. Drake, and eldest son of John and Margaret (Stewart) Drake, was born in Broadway, Warren county, New Jersey, July 16, 1830, and died at Spring Lake, a summer resort on the New Jersey coast, June 29, 1893. He was but six years of age when

his parents moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, and there his after life was spent. He was educated in the Vandever School in Easton, and in 1847 entered business life under the guidance of his father, then senior member of the firm, Drake & Hulick. In 1857 he was admitted a partner, and through all the changes of firm name and personnel continued his interest, being the last surviving partner of the old firm. He was active in the firm until his death, having been connected therewith forty-six years and a partner thirty-six years. He was also a director of the First National Bank of Easton; director and vice-president of the Thomas Iron Company and of the Edison Illuminating Company of Easton; director of the Easton Trust Company; and a manager of the Fire Insurance Company of Northampton county. In politics he was a Republican from the very organization of that party, but was strictly a business man, never seeking nor desiring public office. He was affiliated with the Masonic order and with the Second Presbyterian Church. He passed away deeply mourned, a just man and loyal citizen.

Samuel Drake married, January 16, 1862, Sarah Arndt, born June 30, 1837, died June 14, 1884, daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Stewart) Arndt, of Greenwich township, Warren county, New Jersey. Samuel and Sarah (Arndt) Drake were the parents of four daughters and one son: Mary Virginia, born July 15, 1863, married, November 15, 1888; James Madison Porter, born May 10, 1864, and they are parents of one son, James Madison Porter 4th, born March 7, 1896; Fred Raymond, of further mention; Estelle, born 1867; died in infancy; Carrie Arndt, born April 30, 1869, married, January 5, 1898, John Rice, son of Capt. George and Belle (Potts) Rice, of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, and are the parents of a daughter, Virginia, born August 8, 1899, and a son, John Rice, 2nd, born June 18, 1903; Laura Edna, born September 12, 1874, married, January 28, 1913, Edward Eldridge Swift, of Detroit, Michigan; they have one son, Edward Eldridge, Jr., born February 25, 1918.

(V) Fred Raymond Drake, only son of Samuel (2) and Sarah (Arndt) Drake, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, June 12, 1865, and is now head of the wholesale grocery house, Drake & Company. He began his education in the public schools, continued it under private tutors, entered Lafayette College in 1882, and was graduated, Bachelor of Arts, class of 1886, receiving his Master of Arts in 1889. He was a winner of the Shakespeare prize in his junior year, and was a commencement day speaker at graduation. In 1886 he became associated with Drake & Company, a firm established by his grandfather, John Drake, just half a century earlier, and with which his father, Samuel Drake, had been connected since 1847. In 1889 Fred R. Drake was admitted a partner and is now the directing head (1919). He is also director and vice-president of the Thomas Iron Company, which his grandfather aided in founding; vice-president of the Northampton Trust Company; vice-president of the Commonwealth Water and Light Company of New Jersey; president of the Lakewood and Coast Water and Electric Company of New Jersey; from 1910 to 1911 president of the Easton Board of Trade; from 1910 to 1911 president of the National Wholesale Grocers' Association of the United States.

Major Drake entered the military service of his State in 1898, when he organized a company for service in the Spanish-American War, which was sworn in as Company E, Eleventh Regiment, Provisional Guard. He was elected first lieutenant of the company, July 12, 1898, and promoted captain, September 27, 1898. The company was not called into National service, but in 1899 was transferred as Company I to the Thirteenth Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guard. Captain Drake served in that rank, commanding Companies E and I from his election until his appointment as aide de camp, with the rank of captain, on the staff of Brig.-Gen. J. P. S. Gobin, commander of the Third Brigade, Pennsylvania National Guard. He



received his promotion to General Gobin's staff, December 5, 1900. Captain Drake brought his command up to a high standard of soldierly efficiency, and at each succeeding brigade inspection the company received the highest rating. In 1902 he served with the Third Brigade in the anthracite coal region, and was acting brigade quartermaster during a great part of the ninety-five days they were on duty. He was commissioned major, April 3, 1903.

As the record of his military service shows, Major Drake is not a slave to his business interests, important though they be. Still another side of his nature is revealed in his connection with the Easton Public Library, which he aided in founding. He serves as vice-president of its board of trustees, and is librarian of the Shakespeare Society of New York City. His literary tastes are further shown in his valuable private library, which includes several editions of his favorite Shakespeare. He is a member of the Pomfret Club of Easton, the Northampton Country Club, of which he was one of the organizers, and of the University Club of New York. Politically he is a Republican. While a student at Lafayette he became a member of Zeta Psi, and has ever retained his interest in that fraternity. In 1891, at Providence, Rhode Island, he was elected a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha, and at Easton in 1898 was elected a member of Phi Alpha (international president in 1898) and from 1895 to 1909 was a member of the Committee of Patriarchs. He is also president of Tau Chapter Association of Zeta Psi, of Easton.

Major Drake married, June 15, 1911, Pearce Kinkead Fox, of East Orange, New Jersey. They are the parents of a daughter, Margaret Kinkead, born January 17, 1914, and of a son, Frederick Raymond, Jr., born February 26, 1915.

Major Drake's Arndt ancestry through his mother, Sarah (Arndt) Drake: Hans Arndt, "farmer and inhabitant of Weipen, District of Coswick in the Electorate of Anhalt, Germany," had a son, Martin Arndt, who was, in 1678, a burgher of the town of Zerbst in the same Electorate. He married Maria Sager, daughter of Hans Sager, "of the Electoral body guard and a burgher of Zerbst, in 1687." They were parents of son, Martin C. Arndt.

Martin Conrad Arndt, who, in October, 1678, received from the burgo-master and councilmen of the city of Zerbst a certificate of character showing that he was "born of good German blood and not Wendischen blood, and of an otherwise and honorable family, no man's bondsman nor a Lett" . . . "Therefore both on account of legitimate birth and origin and his conduct, he may be admitted to all corporate fraternities, guilds and associations, to have, to hold, and to use their privileges after the Accustomed." With this certificate he moved to the dukedom of Zweibrucken, Germany, married, and was succeeded by a son, Bernhardt Arndt.

Bernhardt Arndt, born at Zweibrucken, Germany, married there Anna Maria Decker, daughter of Andreas Decker, of Coburn, in the dukedom of Zweibrucken, and settled at Baumholder in the adjoining canton of Lichtenberg, whence, in 1731, he emigrated with his family to Pennsylvania, and in 1739 was living in Salford township, now Montgomery county.

Jacob Arndt, son of Bernhardt Arndt, was born at Baumholden, Lichtenberg, Germany, March 24, 1725, and was brought by his parents to Pennsylvania in the ship *Pennsylvania Merchant*, arriving in Philadelphia, September 11, 1731. He grew to manhood within the limits of the present Montgomery county, but after his marriage he purchased a farm in Rockhill township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, upon which he resided until 1760, when, in June, he bought a mill property and one hundred and fifty acres of farm land in Forks township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, removed to his new purchase, and there died, August 3, 1805. His service to the Colonial cause was extensive. He raised and was commissioned a captain of provincial forces in Bucks county in 1756, a major in 1758, and saw



conspicuous service in the French and Indian wars. He was in command of the important posts of Fort Allen, Fort Morris, Fort Augusta, and Fort Bedford, and after his removal to Northampton county was Colonial justice, 1761 until 1775; member of the Committee of Public Safety, 1774 until 1777; Council of Safety, 1777; Supreme Executive Council, 1777 until 1780; captain of Forks Township Associated Company, 1775; delegate of the Constitutional Convention of 1776, and to the several provincial conventions of 1775, 1776 and 1777. Major Jacob Arndt married Elizabeth Gieger, daughter of Jacob Gieger, of New Hanover township in the same county, and his wife, Anna Mary, who had recently emigrated from Germany, where one of his sons was still living, at the death of his father, Jacob Gieger, in 1772. Among the children of Major Jacob Arndt was a son, Abraham.

Abraham Arndt was born in Rockhill township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, January 31, 1759, and died in Greenwich township, Warren county, New Jersey, December 2, 1845. He was a private in Northampton County Militia during the Revolution, and about 1785 married Ann Hann, daughter of William Hann (or Henn), of Morris county, New Jersey. She was born August 2, 1764, died April 15, 1843. Both Abraham and Ann are buried at St. James Lutheran Church in Greenwich township, as are their son Abraham, his wife Margaret, and grandson, Hart J. Arndt.

Jacob Arndt, son of Abraham and Ann (Hann) Arndt, was born September 2, 1788, and died in Greenwich township, Warren county, New Jersey, May 28, 1852. He married, January 25, 1817, Sarah Stewart, born October 26, 1801, died June 21, 1842, daughter of Robert and Mary Stewart. They were the parents of a daughter, Sarah.

Sarah Arndt, born June 30, 1837, married, January 16, 1862, Samuel Drake, of previous mention, and came to Easton in that year. Their son, Fred Raymond Drake, is also of previous mention, his children being of the tenth recorded Arndt generation, and of the seventh generation in Pennsylvania.

**WILLIAM CLAY MIDDAGH D.D.S.**—The record of the family of which Dr. Middagh is a member was founded by Aert Anthonez Middagh, who came from Holland in 1661, and with his wife, Breekje Hansen (Bergen) Middagh, joined the Dutch church in Breuklin (now Brooklyn, New York), September 27, 1664. Breekje Hansen Bergen was the daughter of the first white child born in New Netherland, and granddaughter of John Jansen de Rapalje, a native of Rochelle, France, one of the Walloon founders of Brooklyn in 1623.

(II) Jan Aertson Middagh, son of Aert Anthonez and Breekje Hansen (Bergen) Middagh, was baptized December 24, 1662, and his will was probated June 6, 1709. He married, June 4, 1690, Elizabeth De Potter Smit.

(III) Pieter Middagh, son of Jan Aertson and Elizabeth De Potter (Smit) Middagh, was a member of the Provincial Council in 1758 (New Jersey Archives, first series, vol. 17; Journal of Provincial Council, 1758, p. 161 and p. 295.) He married Marritje De Mott, daughter of Matthias and Maria (Brinkerhoff) De Mott.

(IV) Peter Middagh, son of Pieter and Marritje (De Mott) Middagh, was born in 1748 in Amwell, Hunterdon county, New Jersey, and died in 1820. (Baptismal records of the Dutch Reformed Church of Readington, New Jersey.) He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, enlisting in 1776, Flying Camp, and becoming a sergeant, then first lieutenant, and finally captain, Company Eight, Fifth Battalion. His name appears in the Pennsylvania Archives as Peter Meadouch (Pennsylvania Archives, fifth series, vol. viii, p. 389, p. 540; also vol. vii, p. 608-623.) He was executor of his father's will, which was made August 20, 1778, probated October 28, 1790, and recorded at Easton. (Will Book No. 2, p. 100.) He married Mary Moody. He is buried in Lower Mount Bethel Cemetery.



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THE OLD JOSEPH HORNER HOMESTEAD.

"Irish Settlement."

Built 1790.

(V) Thomas Middagh, son of Peter and Mary (Moody) Middagh, was born in Lower Mount Bethel. He married Rebecca Bitters, and both are buried in the old Lower Mount Bethel Cemetery.

(VI) William Bitters Middaugh, son of Thomas and Rebecca (Bitters) Middagh, was born in Lower Mount Bethel, in 1816, and died at Easton, November 7, 1897. He was a farmer in his native county during the greater part of his life, retiring in his later years and living with his son, Robert A., in Easton. He married Mary Ayers, and with her is buried in the old Easton Cemetery.

(VII) Robert Ayers Middaugh, son of William Bitters and Mary (Ayers) Middaugh, was born in Lower Mount Bethel, September 12, 1845, died at Easton, April 7, 1914, and is buried in the old Easton Cemetery. After attending schools in Easton and New York City, he began his business career as clerk in the book store of William Maxwell in Centre square, Easton. He then became employed in the office of the superintendent of the Warren Foundry & Machine Company. Later he represented Drake & Company of Easton, and Austin, Nichols & Company of New York, wholesale grocers, remaining with the last-named firm many years. Returning to Easton, he became agent for the Climax, Du Pont, and Hazard Powder Company, and at the time of his death was senior member of the firm of Middaugh & Beisel, insurance agents. Mr. Middaugh was a member of the Masonic order, Dallas Lodge, a past commander of Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar. He was a Democrat in politics, and a Presbyterian in religious faith. He married, in 1870, Ellen, daughter of George and Christina (Heil) Mutchler. Children of Robert Ayers and Ellen (Mutchler) Middaugh: William Clay, of whom further; Sallie R., married Charles S. Howell, and has two children, Robert M. and Charles S., Jr.

(VIII) Dr. William Clay Middaugh, son of Robert Ayers and Ellen (Mutchler) Middaugh, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, September 11, 1871. He was graduated from the Easton High School in 1890, and entered Lafayette College, class of 1894. Early in his course he left Lafayette and entered the dental department of the University of Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated with the degree D.D.S. in 1892. He at once opened offices in the Clemens building, No. 433 Northampton street, and there practiced for eleven years, moving in May, 1903, to the First National Bank building, where he has since remained. Dr. Middaugh is a charter member, was first vice-president, and is an ex-president of the Lehigh Valley Dental Society; is ex-president (1914) of the Susquehanna Dental Society; member of the Pennsylvania State Dental Society; the National Dental Association; the First District Dental Society of New York; and the Stomatological Club of Philadelphia. He is a member of the Supreme Chapter of the Delta Sigma Delta fraternity, and his social clubs are the Pomfret and the Northampton Country. He is also a member of the Easton Anglers' Association and the Victory Drummers. He is a member of the College Hill Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Middaugh married, November 2, 1892, at Easton, Carrie Louise, daughter of William and Sarah (Raus) Sigman, and they are the parents of two children: Carl Sigman, born March 23, 1895; and Carolyn Louise, born December 1, 1909.

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**THE HORNER FAMILY**—Known to the present day as the Irish settlement of Northampton county, this locality was settled in 1728 by a band of homeseekers of Scotch-Irish descent who, under the leadership of Col. Thomas Craig, came to the New World in search of the religious and social advantages that had been denied them in their old home. The original settlement on the west branch of the Forks of the Delaware was situated in Allen township, Northampton county, and extended from the Monocacy on the East to the Hockandauqua on the West. It included the Manor of

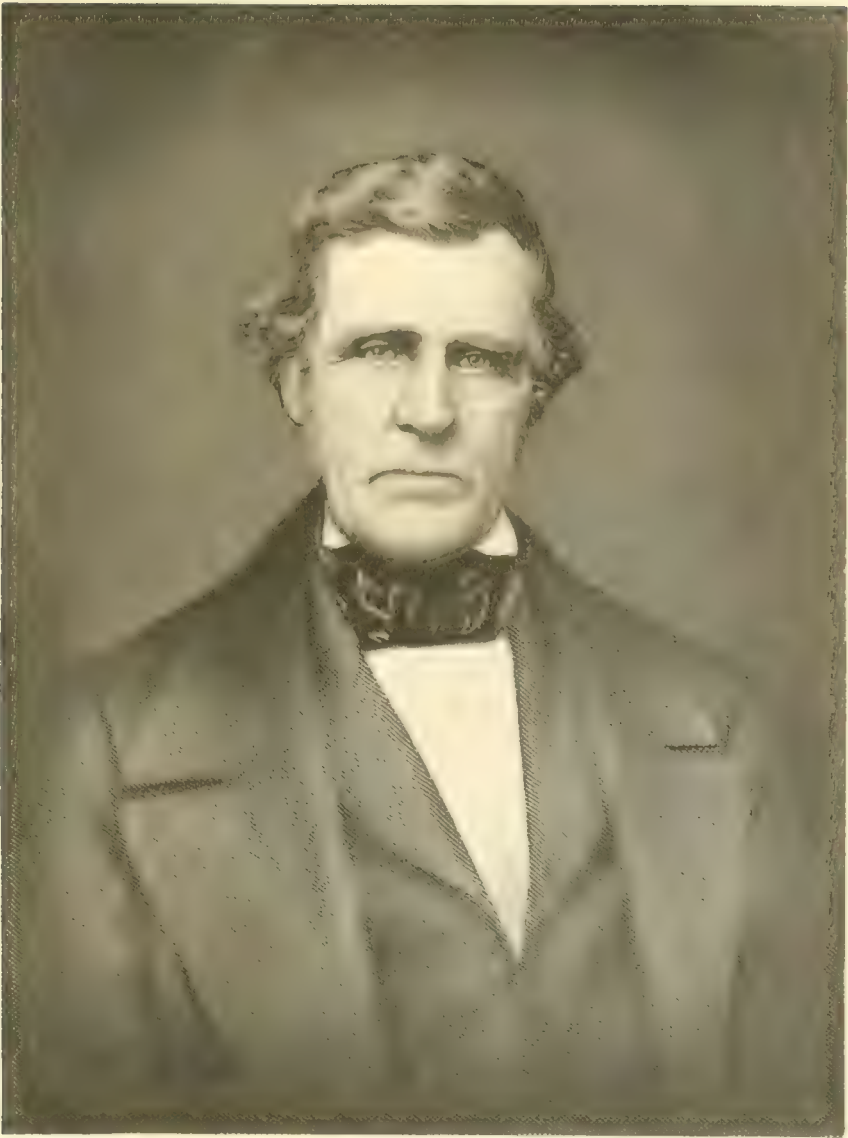
Charlton, a holding of fifteen hundred acres, in what is now East Allen, patented in 1735 by Sir James Page, of London, also the Manor of Fermor, or Drylands, which at that time constituted the unsurveyed lands not definitely described in Northampton county, granted to the Proprietaries in 1736. This settlement antedated the settling of Easton eleven years, of Bethlehem thirteen years, and of Nazareth fifteen years. There is no list of the names of the original band of Scotch-Irish, but from authentic authorities there were living at the Irish settlement the following: Thomas Craig and his son, William; James Craig, his sons Robert and James, and in his family was Thomas Reed and wife; John Boyd; Hugh Wilson and his sons Thomas, Samuel and Charles; Thomas Armstrong; Robert Gregg; James King; John McNair; John Walker; Robert Walker; James Ralston; John Hayes; Arthur Lattimore; James Lattimore; James Horner; James Kerr; and Samuel Brown.

Of this James Horner, ancestor of the Horner family in America, there is record in the Pennsylvania Archives of fifty acres and thirty perches sold by Thomas Penn to James Horner. This property was located near the Hockandauqua creek, and the transfer of the property was made prior to 1732, for in that year the lands in Allen township became vested in William Allen.

James Horner, the immigrant, was born in Ireland in 1711, and died in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, 1793. He was one of the grand jurors in Northampton county, and took an active part in the early affairs of the county. In the list of taxables for 1780 he is assessed at thirteen hundred and eighty pounds. His wife, Jane Horner, was born in 1713, and was killed by the Indians while on her way to a neighbor's home for some coals to light her morning fire. Her body lies at rest in the graveyard of the Allen Township Presbyterian Church. The inscription on her tomb is as follows: "In memory of Jane, wife of James Horner, who suffered death by the hands of the savage Indians, October eighth, seventeen hundred and sixty-three, aged fifty years." The children of James and Jane Horner were: Hugh, John, Thomas, Sarah, Mary, James and Jane. The eldest of this family, Hugh, was born in Allen township, September 20, 1743. He married Elizabeth Wilson, a member of a family resident in Bucks county, Pennsylvania. Hugh Horner died in 1806, but was survived by his widow until 1835, when her death occurred, aged eighty-seven years. The children of Hugh and Elizabeth (Wilson) Horner were: James H., Robert, William, Hugh, Jane, Elizabeth and Judith.

Joseph Horner, a nephew of James Horner, the immigrant, was born in Ireland in 1740. He married Sarah Allison, his first cousin, whose father came to this country from Ireland at an earlier date than the Irish settlement. He came to America as a young man, and joined the Irish settlement in Northampton county. His wife died in 1820, his death occurring March 2, 1835, near Bath, Pennsylvania. The children of Joseph and Sarah (Allison) Horner were: James J., Jane J., Hannah, John, Margaret, Sarah, Samuel and Joseph, of whom further.

Joseph (2) Horner, son of Joseph (1) and Sarah (Allison) Horner, was born on the Horner homestead in the Irish settlement, in 1790, and died at his home on an adjoining farm, January 27, 1866. He attended the local schools, and added to his education by diligent reading of the best literature obtainable. He absorbed and retained his home teaching, was a keen observer of the current events of his time, and was interested in the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia, whose journals he read regularly. One of the habits of his youth was the study of all kinds of farm machinery, a subject on which he was extremely well informed. He became a successful farmer, operating a large acreage of land until middle life, when he devoted himself to the care of his landed and other interests in the vicinity of Bath. He was a strong Whig, and throughout the Civil War, which came in the closing years of his



Joseph Brown





life, he contributed generously of his time and means to the support of the Union cause, also leading in the relief work of that time. He was a man of gentle, kindly manner, who greatly preferred a quiet walk in life to public notice, and was loved by his many friends. His business judgment was excellent, and his advice was often sought by his associates. He was a devoted member of the congregation of the Presbyterian church, which had held some of its first services in the home of James Horner, ancestor of the Horner family, and served the Allen Township Presbyterian Church as treasurer. Throughout a long life he won the regard and respect of his community by a quiet performance of his duty, and the years of his active life were productive of good to his fellows.

Joseph Horner married, in 1839, Margaret, daughter of John and Ann (Hays) Wilson, and they were the parents of two children: 1. Sallie Ann, born in the Irish settlement in 1840; was educated in the schools of the settlement and Dr. Jacob Belleville's Roseland Seminary, of Hartsville, Bucks county, Pennsylvania; married Baxter B. McClure, of Brandywine Manor, Chester county, Pennsylvania; she died in 1917. 2. Jane, born in the Irish settlement in 1845; was educated in the private schools at home, the Academy at Weaversville, Pennsylvania, and Dr. McCluskey's Young Ladies' Seminary of Philadelphia; she is a lady of refined tastes and culture, widely and affectionately known throughout the locality.

(The Wilson Line)

Hugh Wilson, great-grandfather of Mrs. Horner, was born in Ireland, in 1689, and married Sarah Craig in his native land. He later came to America and settled in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, with the Irish settlement. In 1740 he operated a grist-mill on the Hockandauqua creek, and was one of the first justices in this county. A large tract of land, seven hundred and thirty-five acres, was granted him in Hanover town under patents of March 7, 1737, and March 29, 1738. The children of the marriage of Hugh and Sarah (Craig) Wilson were: Samuel, Charles, of whom further; Francis, James, Thomas, Mary, Margaret and Elizabeth.

Charles Wilson was born in Ireland, in 1726, and died in the prime of life, in 1766, in Northampton county, Pennsylvania. He married Margaret McNair, a descendant of John McNair. They had the following family: Sarah, Hugh, Christiana, John, of whom further; and Margaret.

John Wilson married Ann Hays, of the Irish settlement, and they had children: Charles, Jane, William, Margaret, married Joseph (2) Horner, John and Mary.

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**THE SHIMER FAMILY**—The first American ancestor of the American family, whose representatives are found in Northampton and Lehigh counties, Pennsylvania, and in Warren county, New Jersey, was Jacob Scheimer. The name also appears on old records as Scheumer, Sheymer, Shymer, and in other forms.

Though he settled among the Hollanders and married a woman of that nativity, Jacob Scheimer was, according to his family belief and record, of German extraction. The exact date of his arrival in America, however, is unknown, but it was prior to 1722, and he settled in Germantown. He was naturalized in 1730. The early Germantown settlers are noted in history for their high standard of character, education, refinement, and general thrift. They left their fatherland not only to better their worldly condition, but to secure freedom of worship in Penn's liberal province. Jacob Scheimer was born in 1679, as appears in a record in the old Williams township church book, which is as follows: "Anno 1757, der 17th September ist Jacob Scheimer an der reformirten kirchen begraben worden, 78 yahr alt." The exact location of his grave is unknown, for the slate tombstones placed over the graves of

the early settlers of Lower Saucon have long since crumbled to dust. The date of Jacob Scheimer's removal from Germantown is not known, but we have record of his residence in Van Bebber's township in the county of Philadelphia about 1729, and in Skippack about 1734. About 1736 he removed to the uplands above Redington, and his property extended down to the Lehigh river (referred to in the old deeds as the West branch of the Delaware) and included the present site of Redington. Jacob Scheimer was a Lutheran, as are the majority of his descendants. He died in 1757, and his interesting will was probated October 15 of that year, and is now on file in the register's office in Philadelphia, where, though the will is clearly signed "Jacob Scheimer," written in German, it is indexed under the name of Jacob Shiner. Jacob Scheimer was married twice. His first wife was Margaret Papen, fourth daughter of Heivert Papen, one of the incorporators of Germantown. Her mother was Elizabeth (Rittenhouse) Papen, only daughter of William Rittenhouse, the first paper manufacturer of America. The marriage probably took place between 1720 and 1722. The children of this marriage were: Abraham, Anthony, Mrs. Elizabeth Vickerson, Mary, who married Michael Shoemaker, Mrs. Catherine Young and Sarah. The eldest, Capt. Abraham Scheimer, settled in the Minisink country, near the headwaters of the Delaware, where he wedded Lena Westbroeck, in 1749. He became a noted leader and expert rifleman in the Indian wars of that region. One of the histories of New Jersey states that he kept account of the Indians he killed by cutting notches in his rifle stock, and there are many traditions of his exploits with wild beasts and savages. He is the head of that branch of the family of which the region about Port Jervis, New York, is the ancestral home. Jacob Scheimer's first wife died some time between 1728 and 1732. His second wife, Elizabeth, survived him. The children of this marriage were: Jacob, born 1734, died 1764; Conrad; Samuel; Edward, born 1741, died 1815; Peter; Isaac, born 1749, died 1838; and John.

Isaac Shimer, son of Jacob Scheimer, was a sergeant in Captain Kichlein's company in the War of the Revolution, and took part in the desperate conflict known as the battle of Long Island. He survived this engagement, but was taken prisoner and incarcerated for a time on an island, from which he made his escape by swimming. He was, however, discovered when not far distant from shore, and was fired upon while in the water, but managed to make his escape.

The sons, Jacob (2) and Edward Shimer, are the ancestors of nearly all of the representatives of the name in the Lehigh Valley. Jacob (2) Shimer, born in 1734, married Rosina Seip, who was born in Odenwald, Hesse-Darmstadt, September 7, 1739, and died in 1822. In the spring of 1751, her eldest brother, Melchoir Seip, emigrated to America, landing at Philadelphia on September 14. He settled in Lehigh county. Soon after Melchoir Seip's emigration, his father died, and the widow, with her adult son Peter, her thirteen-year-old daughter Rosina, and her eleven-year-old son Jacob, followed Melchoir Seip to America. The ship on which they sailed reached Philadelphia on September 22, 1752. The mother, however, died and was buried at sea. Jacob and Rosina Shimer had three sons: Peter, John and Samuel. Peter, through his son John, is the ancestor of the Shimers of Warren county, New Jersey. John Shimer founded Shimersville, Lehigh county, and is the ancestor of the families of that county, including the Allentown branch. It is to this branch that the late Dr. Jacob S. Shimer, of Philadelphia, the genealogist of the family, belonged. Samuel Shimer, the third son, is the ancestor of the Shimers who settled near Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, among whom was Gen. Conrad Shimer and other well known men.

Jacob (2) Shimer died at the age of thirty years, and his tombstone is the oldest and most interesting in the old Saucon graveyard. In due time his widow Rosina married Edward Shimer, the brother of her first husband.

In 1775 Edward Shimer built the large stone house which is still standing in an excellent state of preservation on the old plantation above Redington, and now belongs to the heirs of the late B. Frank Shimer. Little is known of Edward Shimer save that he was a prosperous farmer, a good Lutheran, serving as elder in his church, and a patriotic member of the committee of safety, representing Lower Saucon in the Revolution. For nearly one hundred years Edward and Rosina (Seip) Shimer have been resting side by side in the old orchard on the home place, under large marble slabs covered with German inscriptions, in a wall-enclosed burial ground. The children of this marriage were three sons and a daughter: Jacob, born 1767, died 1845; Isaac, born 1769, died 1838; a son that died in infancy, and Susanna, born 1776, died 1863. The daughter, Susanna, married James Bingham, of Philadelphia. After his death she became the wife of Dr. Peter Von Steuben, a skillful physician and a most interesting character. Tradition has it that he was a court physician to George III, but fell from favor because of his sympathy with the colonists in America, then struggling for independence. He was a relative of Baron Von Steuben, who came to this country to assist in winning independence for the nation, and commanded a portion of the army with the rank of general. The children of Isaac Shimer were: Charles, Jesse, Thomas, Lydda and Sarah Shimer.

Jacob (3) Shimer, a son of Edward Shimer, in 1801 built the large stone homestead near the Lehigh river about a mile below Freemansburg. He was a very successful agriculturist, and devised a method of farming by proper rotation of crops so exactly suited to the conditions of the soil that he was most successful in his work; his land yielded as much as fifty bushels of wheat per acre, and this won him a first prize in a State competition of methods of farming. He married Elizabeth Beil, or Beyl, who was born in 1772, and died in 1857. She was the daughter of John Beil, a prominent citizen of Lower Saucon and a member of the committee of safety in the Revolution. The children of this marriage were: John, born 1792, died 1878; Joseph, born 1795, died 1878; Edward; Isaac, born 1799, died 1863; Jacob; Elizabeth, born 1805, died 1899; Samuel, born 1807, died 1897; and Abraham, born 1809, died 1881. Of this family, John married Mary Schweitzer, and settled in the village of Shimersville, Northampton county. Joseph married Catherine Hubler, and made his home in Mount Bethel township, Northampton county. Edward married Hannah Lerch, and made his home in Forks township of the same county. Jacob married Fayette Keck, and removed to Bath, Pennsylvania. Isaac married Kate Apple, and established himself in Shimersville. Elizabeth married Michael Butz, and lived in Easton. Samuel married Anna Kuhns, and removed to Illinois. Abraham married Margaretta Johnston, and remained on the old homestead.

The first five generations of the Shimers were almost without exception prosperous farmers, cultivating their own broad acres by the help of their stalwart sons and hired men, and living in comfort and plenty, in large stone houses so characteristic of the German settlements of Pennsylvania. In 1812 Jacob (3) Shimer built an oil and grist-mill at the mouth of the Saucon creek, and around this as a nucleus grew the village of Shimersville. His son John, in 1824, built a plant for fulling, dyeing and finishing cloth. In 1837 George Shimer, son of John Shimer, took charge of the mill and continued in the manufacturing business there until 1872. In 1875 the firm of Shimer & Company began the operation of a foundry and machine shop at Shimersville. The business has grown to be a large and important one, and is now conducted by the firm of William Shimer's Son & Company. Among other members of the family prominent as manufacturers was the late Samuel J. Shimer, and associated with him earlier in his career was his brother, George J. Shimer, now deceased, sons of Abraham Shimer. The firm of S. J. Shimer & Sons now owns and operates an extensive plant situated at Milton, Penn-



sylvania, employing many hundreds of men in the manufacture of cutter heads and woodworking machinery—the inventions of members of the firm. A large part of the plant is that of the Milton Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of nuts, bolts, washers and refined iron. The members of the Shimer family in the sixth and seventh generations are now very numerous and widely scattered, and among them are many who have won success in various lines of business, manufacturing, and in the professions.

**JAMES REED RAY**—James Reed Ray, responsible business man and well regarded resident of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in which city he has been active since 1912, was born May 10, 1889, at Big Cove Tannery, Pennsylvania. He is the son of a patriot who served the country well during the trying years of the Civil War. Elliott Ray, father of James R. Ray, though only eighteen years at the termination of the Civil War, had experienced more than three years of dangerous war campaigning, serving two enlistments, the first as a member of the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and the second with the Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry. Some time after that eventful period of national service, Elliott Ray settled in McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania, where he acquired land and took to agricultural pursuits, and later in life became interested in a flour milling company. He was a member of the Lutheran church, and lived a life of noteworthy Christian integrity. His death occurred on May 14, 1904, and caused universal regret in the community in which he had lived so exemplary a life, and particularly to his large family. His wife was Agnes Charlotte, daughter of ——— and Rebecca Commerer, and twelve children were born to them. Mr. Ray's mother is still alive, and still resides in McConnellsburg, surviving five of her children. The seven children now living are: Charles Merrit, who followed his father in agricultural pursuits in McConnellsburg, is married, and has three children; Sabber Eugene, a retired baker of same place, and father of five children, all living; Elliot Lloyd, a McConnellsburg farmer, married, but without issue; Henry, who is a land owner and agriculturist at Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, married, and has three children; Nellie, who married (first) Henry Tribble, of McConnellsburg, to whom she bore three children, and (second) Denton Everts, of Sharpe, Pennsylvania, a farmer of that place, no children having been born to the latter marriage; Emma Nora, who married Walter Rotz, formerly of McConnellsburg, but now of Chambersburg, where he is an employee of the Cumberland Railroad, and by whom she became the mother of three children; and James Reed, of further mention. Of the deceased children of Elliott and Agnes Charlotte (Commerer) Ray, Rebecca was married to Weston Lake, of Big Cove Tannery, Pennsylvania. She died in 1903, leaving three children.

James Reed Ray was educated in elementary grades in the public school of his native place, later proceeding to the Soldiers' Orphan Industrial School, at Scotland, Pennsylvania. He received about the equivalent of high school education, with particular attention to some branch of the trade. The death of his father occurred some time after he had been apprenticed to the tailoring trade at Scotland, Pennsylvania, and it then became more necessary that he apply himself even more earnestly to the trade, so as to become self-supporting as early as possible. In 1908 he entered the John J. Mitchell Cutting School at New York, where, in one of the best schools of the East, he developed into a skilled cutter, and eventually became a merchant tailor, in independent business. It was in 1912 when he opened a tailoring establishment in the city of Bethlehem, beginning in a humble and unostentatious way. His skill as a tailor, combined with good business aptitude, however, steadily advanced him among an increasing circle of customers, and developed his business in six years to such an extent that he had to transfer his business, in 1918, to the building he now occupies. He opened at his present

location on February 5, 1918, and there, in more commodious quarters and with increased stock, he was able to cater to the ever-increasing demands for his workmanship. He now is conducting a very substantial and satisfactory business, and takes care that his stock, styles and everything pertaining to the business is up-to-date.

Mr. Ray has been too much engrossed in the development and demands of his own business to be able to give much of his time to public matters. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and by political allegiance is a Republican, but has not been able to take active part. He is identified with some of the leading fraternal organizations, including the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Union Wheelmen of Bethlehem. Of the last-named he is financial secretary, and a member of the board of governors. His father's worthy National record has also made him a member of the Sons of Veterans. Mr. Ray is a member of the Lutheran church, attending Grace Church of Bethlehem.

Mr. Ray married, February 20, 1917, at Monessen, Pennsylvania, Louise Elizabeth, daughter of James Filson and Nellie (Mellott) Boore, of Bedford county, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Ray was well educated; she graduated at Everett High School, and also at Slippery Rock Normal School, of Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania. For three years prior to her marriage she was a teacher in the public schools of Monessen, Pennsylvania. Both her parents are still living, and her father holds prominent place as a publicist in Bedford county. He is a very able man, and has been one of the leaders of the Republican party in that county for many years, and has held many local offices. Mr. and Mrs. Ray have one child, a son, James Edward, who was born at Bethlehem, March 11, 1918.

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**REV. ANSELM MURN, O.F.M.**—Rev. Murn's entire life has been devoted to religious work as a pastor and missionary. He was born in Carniola, Yugoslavia, August 29, 1875, son of Frank and Josephine Murn, his father a farmer. He attended the local schools and gymnasium, and upon the completion of his theological studies became a priest of the Order of Friars Minor. His present charge is St. Joseph's Catholic Slovenian Church, of Bethlehem, and his work among the foreign-born residents of the Bethlehem district is large and important. Rev. Murn is a member of the Carniolian Slovenian Catholic Union, the Croatian National Union, and the Knights of Columbus, and although loyal in his Americanism is no less devoted in his sympathy for his countrymen in their native home, for whom so vigorous a fight has been waged by the forces of right in the council of nations. Rev. Murn's pastoral work in Bethlehem covers a period of six years. He organized the congregation and built the second finest church of Slovenian Catholic people in America.

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**CHARLES E. GOODENOUGH**—Trained from youth in the line that he has made his major interest, Mr. Goodenough, as owner of the Goodenough Piano Company, of Bethlehem, is the head of one of the largest enterprises of its kind in this section of Pennsylvania. He is a son of William E. and Elizabeth (Cameron) Goodenough, and grandson of Ralph L. Goodenough. William E. Goodenough died in November, 1905, engaged in dealings in musical instruments at the time of his death.

Charles E. Goodenough was born in Newark, New Jersey, May 25, 1885, and attended the public schools, grammar and high. In early manhood he began to learn his present business, associated in various capacities in piano manufacturing with his uncle, Charles E. Cameron, owner of the Lauter Piano Company of Newark, New Jersey, until 1910. He came to Bethlehem in that year, and was employed with cousins in retail piano dealings, in 1911 becoming a member of the firm of the Cameron Piano Company, estab-

lished by his relatives. In 1915 Mr. Goodenough purchased their interests, and since that time has conducted his operations independently as the Goodenough Piano Company, the business developing to such an extent that the old quarters at No. 73 South Main street were outgrown and a new location found at Nos. 532-536 Main street, which property Mr. Goodenough purchased and is the present home of the company. The Lauter, Davenport-Treacy, Milton, Weser, Schenke and other high grade manufactures of pianos are carried by the company, its stock including piano and player-pianos, Columbia Grafonolas, Pathephones and records, a large selection of sheet music and cabinets, benches, etc. It is widely and favorably known, and under Mr. Goodenough's able direction has become a vigorous, prosperous business, supplying in a competent mannner a real need in the Bethlehem community. Mr. Goodenough is a Republican in political belief, and fraternally is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church.

Mr. Goodenough married, in New York City, November 27, 1917, Florence, daughter of George B. and Laura Jane Deemer, of Hellertown, Pennsylvania, her father a well known resident of that district. Mrs. Goodenough, an only child, was graduated with honors from the Allentown College for Women, at Allentown, Pennsylvania, in the class of 1904.

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**ELI SYLVESTER MANTZ, M.D.**—In an old graveyard at New Tripoli, Lynn township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, is buried a man bearing the name, Jacob Mantz, born about 1740. The family is one of the oldest of that township, and has many spellings in the old records, Mance, Mans, Manse, and Mantz being the varied forms of spelling the name. From this family comes Dr. Eli Sylvester Mantz, who for eighteen years, 1901-19, has been a successful practicing physician of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Mantz is a great-grandson of Jacob Mantz, who appears on the tax list of 1812 as a property owner in Lynn township, Lehigh county. Jacob Mantz married Anna M. Wertman, of Lynn township, and they were the parents of an only child, Elias, born at the homestead, May 1, 1814, died at this homestead in 1871. He was educated in the district school, and all his lifetime was a resident of Lynn township. He married Anna, daughter of Peter George, of Lowhill township, Lehigh county, and they were the parents also of an only child, Phaon Wilson Mantz, father of Dr. Eli Sylvester Mantz, of Bethlehem.

Phaon Wilson Mantz was born at the old homestead in Lynn township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, June 9, 1843, and died August 21, 1917. He grew to manhood at his home residence, obtained his education in the public schools, and after completing his studies taught school for several years in several townships of Lehigh county. Later he bought a farm in Heidelberg township, and soon afterwards opened a store at Saegersville, Lehigh county, sixteen miles from Allentown. He also owned a store at Slatedale, near Slatington, where he held interests in the slate industry. He was successful throughout his entire career, especially as a merchant and business man. He held several local offices, assessor and school director. He was a Republican in politics, and a man highly respected. On June 6, 1867, he married Senia Snyder, daughter of Stephen Snyder, of Saegersville, Pennsylvania, both being members of the Reformed church. Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mantz were the parents of four sons and a daughter: Eli Sylvester, of further mention; Howard, married Flausa Bachman; Ulysses, married Elizabeth Ziengenfus; Tevillia, married Quincy A. Stettler, of Slatington; Gillespie, died in infancy.

Dr. Eli Sylvester Mantz, eldest son of Phaon Wilson and Senia (Snyder) Mantz, was born in Saegersville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, December 30, 1872. He there obtained his public school education. He was a stu-





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dent at Keystone State Normal School, then entered Ursinus College, but the following year matriculated at Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pennsylvania, and there completed his literary education. Deciding upon the medical profession, he selected his uncle, Dr. L. A. Snyder, of Ashland, Schuylkill county, as his tutor. Then he entered Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, whence he was graduated an M.D., class of 1899. He received the Pennsylvania State medical diploma in June of the same year. Afterwards he took a post-graduate course at the Polytechnic College and Hospital, Philadelphia, and in 1901 located in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and began the practice of medicine and surgery. He has thoroughly endeared himself to Bethlehemites, and has a large practice among the substantial families of the city. His practice is general in character, and he ranks as one of the most skillful and honorable practitioners of his city.

Dr. Mantz is a member of the American Institute of Homœopathy, Pennsylvania Homœopathic Medical Society, the Lehigh Valley Homœopathic Medical Society, and in these societies has won the respect and esteem of his professional brethren. He is a member of the Bethlehem Club, the University Club, and the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. In religious affiliations he is a member of Christ Reformed Church.

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**JAMES A. G. MICKLEY**—The traditions of this family assert that originally the Michelets were French Huguenots who fled from their native land to avoid persecution. In America they descend from Theobald Mechling, whose sons fought to preserve the liberties of their native land. The ship *James Goodwill* arrived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 11, 1728, with about ninety natives of the Palatinate on board, one of them being Theobald Mechling, the founder of the Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, family of Mechling, and his brother Jacob. The Mechling brothers settled in Germantown (Philadelphia) and there established a tannery. In 1734, Theobald Mechling obtained a grant of land, one hundred and seventy acres, in Lower Milford township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county, from Thomas and Richard Penn, proprietors of the province of Pennsylvania, the parchment establishing this grant yet being preserved in the family. Theobald Mechling moved his family to this grant and built a house near Hosenback, which is still standing. He was one of the founders of the old Lutheran church near Dillingersville, and his subscription of fifteen shillings to the pastor's salary made him one of the three largest contributors. He died in April, 1765, and was buried with his wife, Anna Elizabeth, in the old graveyard near Dillingersville, which is still preserved, although the old church no longer exists. He had five sons: John Theobald, John Peter, John Jacob, Philip and Thomas. His daughters were: Anna Margaret and Anna Elizabeth. The estate in Lower Milford township, valued at four hundred pounds, was left to his son Thomas, who had to pay the other heirs twenty-five pounds yearly until their shares amounting to two hundred and thirty-six pounds, thirteen shillings and four pence were discharged, and they all signed a deed of release dated January 23, 1773. All of these sons save Thomas later moved to Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, where a second Mechling family line was established, a Mechling family association now existing with more than two thousand members. This branch descends through the third son, John Jacob Mechling, born February 28, 1747, and his wife Katherine, who moved from Lehigh to Northumberland county, Pennsylvania.

This John Jacob Mechling was a patriot of the Revolution, and was one of the men who, upon the approach of the British Army in 1777, took the Liberty Bell from its place in Independence Hall belfry in Philadelphia to Allentown, and secreted it in old Zion's Reformed Church to prevent its falling into the hands of the enemy. Thomas Mechling, youngest brother of John Jacob Mechling, was a lieutenant of Northampton county militia, and served in the Revolution; John Theobald was an ensign and wounded at the battle

of Long Island; and Philip Mechling also served as an ensign. Thus, in the second generation, these sons of the founder recompensed their native State for the kindness shown to their alien father. John Jacob Mechling was the grandfather of Peter Mechling, who married Elizabeth Burkhalter, whose son David Mickley, as the name from now on is spelled, is still living at Allentown, Pennsylvania, aged ninety-two years, September 2, 1918. He married Mary Frantz, who died in 1886, her husband having now survived her thirty-two years. They were the parents of eight children: Albert J., of further mention; Amanda K., Ellen J., Henry, Margaret, and three sons who died young.

Albert J. Mickley, eldest son of David and Mary (Frantz) Mickley, was born in North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and there spent the years of his youth in farming. Later he entered railroad employ, settled in Easton, Pennsylvania, where he died at his home, No. 803 Packer street, August 9, 1908, aged sixty years. He was a member of the Reformed church, and a man of honorable, upright life. He married, in Allentown, Emma R. Brader, who survives him, residing at the old home on Packer street. She is of the Methodist faith. They were the parents of four children: James A. G., of further mention; Irving, of Easton; Edgar D., residing at home; Mary Alice, deceased.

James A. G. Mickley, eldest son of Albert J. and Emma R. (Brader) Mickley, was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, on Chew street, October 17, 1880. South Easton soon afterward became the family home, and there he was educated in the public schools. He first attended the old Webster school, his first teacher being J. Irving Snyder. He completed the grammar school grades and spent one year in high school, his last teacher, A. J. Le Bar, now supervising principal of Easton school. At the age of fifteen he left school and entered the employ of the R. H. Simon Silk Mill, first going to the spinning, then to the weaving department. Mill work did not appeal to him, and he apprenticed himself to the Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill Company, and for four years he served faithfully, acquiring the machinist's trade. After becoming a journeyman machinist he remained with the Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill Company for eight years longer, going thence to the erecting shop of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, in Easton, continuing with that company until January 9, 1915, when he resigned to accept his present position, superintendent of Hays Cemetery in South Easton. He is a member of St. Peter's Reformed Church of South Easton, and since 1909 has held the office of treasurer, a post held by his honored father for twelve years. He is also secretary of the church consistory, and active in the varied forms of church work. He is a member of Columbia Lodge No. 139, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; secretary of Red Wing Tribe No. 170, Improved Order of Red Men; secretary of William Penn Chamber No. 30, Order of Knights of Friendship; South Easton Council No. 590, Fraternal Patriotic Americans. He is a Republican in politics, and for five years served as a member of Easton Common Council from the Twelfth Ward, has served on the election board several times, has been a delegate to county conventions, and was appointed alderman from the Twelfth Ward by Governor Brumbaugh to fill out the unexpired term of W. Ascher Mutchler, deceased.

Mr. Mickley married, in Stewartsville, New Jersey, Hannah A. Cole. She is a member of St. Peter's Reformed Church, and like her husband interested in many of the church activities. They were the parents of two daughters: Emma Alice and Ruth Myrtle.

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**FRANKLIN CHRISTIAN STOUT**—In 1857, Dr. Abram Stout retired from the practice of medicine in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and was succeeded by another Abram Stout, his nephew, whose preceptor he had been until admitting him as partner. The first Dr. Abraham Stout was a son of Isaac Stout, Sr., a farmer of Williams township, Northampton county, Pennsyl-

vania, until his death at the age of eighty years, and a grandson of Jacob Stout, a native of Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, who came to the United States, settled in Williams township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and founded a family.

Franklin C. Stout, son of Dr. Abram Stout, grandson of Isaac Stout, and great-grandson of Jacob Stout, the founder, was born in Graceland, Maryland, March 9, 1837, but when a child was brought to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the Moravian Parochial School at Bethlehem, and Nazareth Hall, Nazareth, Pennsylvania, completing the courses of both institutions. He entered business life in 1873 as an employee of the Beaver Brook Coal Company, and for forty-five years has been continuously in the service of that company, being now its treasurer. The old company name has ceased to exist, but the business which is now conducted as the Charles M. Dodson Coal Company is the same. Mr. Stout was elected treasurer, having worked his way upward from the bottom.

In 1862, Mr. Stout enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Regiment, Volunteer Infantry, commanded by Colonel J. C. Frick, of Pottsville, and served nine months, seeing hard and active service. In 1863, when General Lee invaded Pennsylvania, Mr. Stout recruited a company of ninety day men, to repel the invader, marching with them at the call, which reached him while in church. Before nightfall he had gathered his company and was on his way with them to the front. He has been very successful in all his business undertakings, and is one of Bethlehem's solid, substantial, and highly esteemed citizens, and a devoted member of the Moravian church.

Mr. Stout married, June 10, 1864, Clara O. Clewell, daughter of Philip Clewell, of Schoeneck, a Moravian settlement north of Nazareth, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Robert Paul, killed in an explosion at the Bethlehem Steel Company, he at that time being forty-six years of age; he married Emma W. Walle, and they had two sons: i. Robert Paul, Jr., who served as first lieutenant in the United States army, in World War, participated in the battle of Argonne Forest, severely wounded in right shoulder and left arm, but after recovering was again in active service, later being assigned to Paris, where he is attending the University of Serbonne, pursuing French and law courses; he is a graduate of Harvard, and a practicing attorney. ii. Frank Walle, who served as second lieutenant in the United States army, in World War, serving at Fort Sheridan, Austin, Texas, and Galveston, Texas, where he was medical student drill officer; after the armistice returned to Austin, Texas, then was transferred to Hoboken, New Jersey, from there was sent to Camp Merritt, where he was a receiving officer of men returning from overseas service. 2. Louis Frederick, died at the age of seven years.

**WILLIAM HENRY REPSHER**—Now little more than past the prime of life, Mr. Repsher reviews a life of unusual activity eventually crowned with abundant success. William H. Repsher was born at Butztown, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, midway between Easton and Bethlehem, December 3, 1860, son of Joseph D. and Anna Matilda (Buss) Repsher. Joseph D. Repsher was born in Monroe county, Pennsylvania; his wife near Farmersville, Northampton county. In early days he was a boatman on the canal, but when war broke out between the States he enlisted in the Union army, and on October 19, 1864, was killed at the battle of Cedar Creek in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. He served under Gen. Philip Sheridan, and a valued memento in the family is a letter written the day before he was killed.

Joseph D. Repsher left three children, and by pluck and hard work the bereaved wife kept her family together. The struggle was a hard one, and once she took the children to the county infirmary and left them, coming the following Sunday to visit. She asked permission to take the children for



a walk, and when out of sight hurried away, never bringing them back. The children were: William Henry, of whom further; Samuel, who is yet a resident of Bethlehem; Mary Etta, who married Joseph Kretzer, of Freemansburg, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Repsher died in Bethlehem, aged forty-six years, a woman of rare devotion and force of character.

William Henry Repsher was a lad of but six and one-half years when he began earning a few pennies daily to help his mother provide for the other children. He secured a job on the canal as a mule driver, and until he was seventeen years of age he was employed on the canal in some capacity. He grew up a strong, healthy lad, very industrious and of steady habits. He finally quit the canal and spent a year in farm work; then began learning the milling business at Freemansburg, Pennsylvania. He was to receive fifty dollars yearly with his board while learning, and for a time he held on to the place, but afterwards he went to South Bethlehem and entered the employ of the Bethlehem Iron Company. He worked for that company at various times, the pay then being one dollar and five cents daily for labor, and work not always plentiful. He finally saved enough money to buy a team, which he at once put to work on the towpath of the canal. This was a common practice for team owners during the summer months, the teams being used for other purposes after the canal closed in the winter. From the canal the young man went to the railroad as a section hand, working first for the Lehigh Valley, then going to the New Jersey Central. He next was a rail driller at the Bethlehem Iron Works, then boated on the Morris and Essex canal for one season, then returned to the iron works. This brought him to the age of twenty-one years, and that year he located in Jersey City, and for a season boated on the Raritan canal across New Jersey to the Delaware, and on the Erie canal across New York from Albany to Buffalo. He then returned to Bethlehem, where he was employed in a brick yard, and was later hired by Mrs. M. B. Hoffis, of the Eagle Hotel, and while there embarked on a business venture which promised well but which resulted badly. Mrs. Hoffis financed the purchase of a bunch of hogs, Mr. Repsher agreeing to feed and market them for one-half the profits. But the hogs were attacked by a fatal disease, and there were no profits to divide. From the hotel he went to the zinc works, where he remained for one year, followed by four years as lineman with the Bethlehem Electric Light Company.

The varied experiences through which he had passed had sharpened his wits and he was keenly alive to any opportunity. Occasion presented itself to him in Bethlehem, and while it looked small it was the foundation of his fortune and has only recently been abandoned. This was the gathering of ashes from all the houses he could get to give ashes to him at a weekly cost of ten cents. He secured a great number of patrons, bought a horse and wagon for the work, and did a profitable business. He expanded, hired help, and this led to contracts with the borough for the removal of garbage. This business grew into a profitable and important one, which he long continued. With his business well founded and profitable, he sought other lines of enterprise, and about 1889 established a coal and wood yard which he developed into a large and profitable retail coal and wood business. In this undertaking he was assisted by his sons, but they went to the war at the call of their country, and in addition help became so difficult a problem that Mr. Repsher in April, 1918, sold out his coal business and retired, having previously given up his garbage contracts. On February 6, 1919, he rebought the business on account of his three sons returning from the battlefields of France, and they now operate the same.

Mr. Repsher has the right to review his career with pride, for he has won success from most discouraging circumstances, and today is one of the substantial men of his community. He has been too much occupied with business to mingle in political affairs, but he has not been unmindful of his





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responsibilities as a good citizen. He is a member of Holy Infancy Roman Catholic Church; the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Loyal Order of Moose. He has won his success fairly, has wronged no man, and is well liked and respected.

Mr. Repsher married (first) in November, 1884, Catherine Reagan, who died November 21, 1907, daughter of Patrick and Mary Reagan. They were the parents of thirteen children: 1. Joseph W. 2. William, married Catherine Auer, and has three children: William Henry; Mary, married Adam Reiner; and Anna, married William Burns. 3. John Thomas, unmarried, was with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. 4. Thomas John, unmarried, served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. 5. Robert J., was also in France. 6. Mary. 7. Catherine. 8. Agnes. 9. James. 10. William Henry. 11. Helen. 12. Lizzie, deceased. 13. A boy who died in infancy. Mr. Repsher married (second), April 4, 1908, Bridget O'Horn, daughter of John and Margaret O'Horn, both of whom were born in Ireland and both deceased. Of second marriage seven children were born: Mildred, died at the age of one year; Margaret, Clement, Paul, Edward, Charles, and Wilfred. The family are all members of the Holy Infancy Roman Catholic Church. The family home is at No. 311 East Fourth street, and Mr. Repsher is exceedingly fond of that home and is deeply interested, as all parents are, in the welfare of his large family of sons and daughters.

**HENRY PRUNARET** As vice-president and manager of the John H. Meyer Silk Mills Company, a corporation operating four mills, with its main office and two mills at Northampton, Mr. Prunaret occupies a leading position in the company and in the silk manufacturing business, the company's line being broad and fancy broad silks. His rise in the business has been phenomenal, considering the fact that he spent his first twenty-one years in another land, and not until 1879 did his American residence begin, and then several years were spent before he could rightly demonstrate his value. But he had been thoroughly trained in silk manufacture by his able father in his native France, and when the young man had acquired the English tongue and American customs he advanced rapidly to responsible position. He was born in Cevennes, an old district of France, formerly divided into Gevaudan, Velay, Vivarais and Cevennes proper, the last now chiefly included in the department of The Gard. His father, Henry Prunaret, was a silk manufacturer of Cevennes, who there lived and died. He married Henrietta Theysier, and they were the parents of several children, one of whom, Henry, is the principal character dealt with in this review.

Henry Prunaret was born November 21, 1859, and spent the years of his minority in his native Cevennes, France, acquiring an education and a good knowledge of silk manufacture. His education included courses in commercial and trade schools, and his knowledge of the silk-making was taught him in the silk manufacturing city of Lyons, France, and by his well informed father. He came to the United States in 1879, not yet having reached legal age, but well informed and capable. He arrived in New York City a complete stranger, totally ignorant of the language, but with a stout heart and the will to conquer. He began as an office clerk with the Poidebard Silk Manufacturing Company of West Hoboken, New York, starting at twelve dollars weekly, rising through sheer merit and forceful personality through many promotions to the position of assistant manager of the company. He made no change in employer for twenty-five years, but finally, in 1900, he resigned his position to accept a similar one with the Home Silk Manufacturing Company, of Haverstraw, New York. He most satisfactorily filled that position for three years, then yielded to the offers of his old employers, the Poidebard Silk Manufacturing Company, and returned to their employ, but as general manager. For five years he continued in that position, then



again resigned to become general manager of the John H. Meyer Silk Mills Company, and moved his residence to Northampton, Pennsylvania, the seat of the company's mill office and the location of their Mills No. 1 and 2, the other Mills Nos. 3 and 4, being at Bloomsburg, New Jersey, and Weatherly, Pennsylvania. The New York office and salesrooms of the company are at Nos. 50-54 Union square, New York. The company bears the name of its founder and president, John H. Meyer, and is one of the most successful broad silk manufacturing companies of the State. Mr. Prunaret is also a member of the board of directors and vice-president of the company, his expert knowledge gained through a lifetime of practical connection with the silk business, rendering him an important factor in the company's success. He is general manager in Northampton, and has under his personal direction a large number of operatives in whom he feels a genuine interest and who have for him the highest esteem.

Genial in nature, and of attractive personality, he wins friends wherever known, while his genuine, manly character holds them to him as with bands of steel. He is interested in borough affairs and in borough institutions, his aid and advice given freely to further all projected improvements. He belongs to lodge, chapter and commandery of the Masonic order, is a noble of the Mystic Shrine, a member of Zion Lutheran Church, and a Republican in politics. He reviews his American career with satisfaction, and his many friends are the best evidence that he is well appreciated and esteemed.

Mr. Prunaret married (first) in 1882, Julia Manson, born in France, who died without issue. He married (second), in West Hoboken, New Jersey, in 1898, Freda Schopman, of Hoboken, New Jersey, and they have two children: Henry (2), born in 1900, now a student of Lehigh College, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; and Frances, born in 1908.

**ROY L. GEEHR** Easton, Pennsylvania, the birthplace of Roy L. Geehr, has also been the scene of his business activities, with the exception of a short period spent in connection with the automobile industry in New York. He is a son of Frank P. Geehr, who until his death in 1902 was a prominent shoe merchant of Easton. Frank P. Geehr was born in 1849, and for the greater part of his life was identified with the business circles of Easton. He was a devoted member of the Reformed church, a member of the official board for twenty-seven years, in charge of its choir until a year prior to his death, and between that church and his home he divided all of his time not required by his large business. He was a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and also of the Royal Arcanum. He married Emma Kilpatrick, of Freemansburg, Pennsylvania, who survives him (1910), a resident of Easton, at the family home. Frank P. and Emma (Kilpatrick) Geehr were the parents of: Roy L., (born further); Stanley, born in 1881, associated with the Snyder Boot & Shoe Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, married Cora Koch, of Easton, and they are the parents of two children.

Roy L. Geehr was born in Freemansburg, Pennsylvania, February 9, 1879. He attended school in Easton, graduating from Easton High School in the class of 1897, after which he pursued commercial studies in the same city. For nine years after the completion of his schooling, Mr. Geehr was secretary to Herman Simon, a silk manufacturer of Easton, then becoming secretary and assistant treasurer of the Mack Brothers Motor Company of Allentown, also serving this firm as auditor. This latter connection continued for two years, after which Mr. Geehr accepted the position of auditor of the Maxwell Briscoe Company, automobile manufacturers, at Tarrytown, New York, where he remained until, after two years, failing health compelled him to resign. In 1907, Mr. Geehr's present connection with the Lehigh Storage Company of Bethlehem began, when he became secretary of the company.

Upon the death of Mr. Kratz in October, 1917, he succeeded to full management of the affairs of this prosperous concern, and has since continued as secretary and general manager of the company. He has directed its interests with the ability of experience and thorough knowledge, and during the two years of his administration the business has expanded along strong, progressive lines. In addition to his business activity, Mr. Geehr engages in farming and poultry raising on a large scale. He specializes in the production of fruit, raising some remarkably fine crops, while his chicken runs contain specimens of finely bred stock with excellent laying records.

Mr. Geehr is, like his honored father, a student and lover of music, and both in Easton and Bethlehem has been active in musical circles. In Easton he led the choir of the Reformed church, while in his present home he directs the music of the Sunday school. He fraternizes with the Masonic order, belonging to Solomon Lodge, of Tarrytown, New York, and he is a believer in Republican political principles. His business and personal interests have precluded his taking active part in public affairs.

Roy L. Geehr married, in February, 1902, Jennie, daughter of Adam and Kate (Oyer) Christman, of Easton, Pennsylvania, her father a merchant of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Geehr are the parents of Donald E., born March 20, 1903, a student in Bethlehem High School. In 1917, Mr. and Mrs. Geehr adopted a five-year-old daughter, Evangeline D.

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**WILLIAM F. BECK**—At his home two and one-half miles east of Nazareth, in Lower Nazareth township, and about five miles west of Centre square, Easton, on the Turnpike road, William F. Beck died January 22, 1919. He was a son of Henry J. and Adeline (Biery) Beck.

Henry J. Beck was born March 7, 1821, and died April 13, 1882, his birthplace the farm which his great-grandfather had secured direct from the Pennsylvanians. That old farm has never been owned outside of the Beck family. Henry J. Beck was the son of George H. Beck, who was a son of John Beck, the first of the family to be born in the United States, and the latter a son of the emigrant ancestor. Each generation head, in turn, passed most of his life on the old farm, and when life's course was ended, were buried in the cemetery of the Hecktown Lutheran Church. Adeline (Biery) Beck was born in 1830 in Catasauqua, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and died in Lower Nazareth in 1894.

George H. Beck was born in 1799, and died in 1880. His wife, Elizabeth (Johnson) Beck, died in 1876. They were the parents of nine sons and two daughters, all of whom grew to years of maturity: Henry J., Jacob, Simon P., William G., John, James, Charles, Samuel J., Stephen, Elizabeth and Salvina. All of this family married and passed to their reward after lives of usefulness.

Henry J. Beck passed his life at the old farm, and there built a new residence. He married, and his children were: William F., of further mention; Alavesta C., married Milton A. Dech, who is now living retired at Bath, Pennsylvania; she died May 13, 1917; Alan, who died at the age of two years.

William F. Beck was born at the home farm in Lower Nazareth, November 4, 1851, and there he spent the years, until 1873. He was educated in district and private schools, and for four years taught school. He then became his father's assistant and eventually succeeded him in the ownership of the farm. Mr. Beck married, October 4, 1873, Sibylla M. Ehret, daughter of Joseph and Angelina (Vest) Ehret, who was born on the Ehret home farm, where she still resides. Her father, Joseph Ehret, was born on the same farm, August 16, 1819, and there died June 22, 1907. His wife Angelina died October 2, 1899, aged seventy-two years, five months, twenty-six days. Joseph Ehret was a son of George and Margaret (Ritter) Ehret. George Ehret was born on the old Ehret farm, where he died in the fall of 1873, aged seventy-seven years, son of John Ehret. His wife Margaret survived him

to the great age of ninety-five years and six months, and ended her long life at the Ehret farm in Lower Nazareth.

In the spring of 1875, William F. Beck took charge of the Ehret homestead farm and managed it for Joseph Ehret, his father-in-law, who at his death willed it to his only child, Sibylla M., wife of William F. Beck. This farm of one hundred and twenty-five acres is located in Lower Nazareth township, two and one-half miles from Nazareth square. The old buildings on the farm were erected by George H. Ehret in 1842. The present house was built in 1901 by Joseph Ehret, and stands on the opposite side of the road from the old farm house built in 1842. The old barn was built in 1836 by George H. Ehret, who spent his last years at the old farm, as did his son Joseph. Mrs. William F. Beck later inherited the old Ehret farm from her father. Joseph Ehret served as poor director of Lower Nazareth and held other township offices. He was a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Hecktown Reformed Church. He also owned a farm of one hundred acres in Crystal Springs, which was sold to the Cement Company. Mrs. Beck inherited also, at the time of her husband's death, January 22, 1919, the one hundred and forty acre Beck homestead farm, about two miles distant from the old Ehret homestead, which is cultivated for her by a tenant farmer, her husband leaving this to her at the time of his death.

Mr. Beck was a Democrat in politics, served on the School Board and as township auditor. In 1902 he was elected a member of the Pennsylvania House of Assembly, and in 1906 was again the successful candidate of his party for the Legislature, and during the 1907 session served on the Committee of Agriculture. For years he was active in the County Fair Association, and was instrumental in securing State aid for the fair. He took an active part in securing the repeal of the law under which poor directors received increased salaries. Mr. Beck took part in several floor discussions and did valuable committee work. He served as delegate to several State conventions, and for nine years was a member of the State Board of Agriculture, and for one year was its chairman. He was chairman of the Northampton County Institute for nine years, and president of the County Agricultural Society seven years, having been active in the work of the last-named society for forty years. He was a member of the Lutheran church, his wife a member of the Reformed congregation.

One child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Beck, Floyd W., born December 8, 1877, died January 23, 1904, aged twenty-six years, one month, fifteen days; he was a student at Lafayette College, but his health failed and he returned to the farm; he married Minnie E. Schnable, who survived him, and married (second) Clarence P. Laubach, who now operates the old farm; they are the parents of two daughters: Marion M. Laubach, aged ten years; and Verna Laubach, who died at the age of one year.

**QUINTUS E. SNYDER**—Quintus E. Snyder, tax collector for the city of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, since 1911, when he succeeded his father to the office, comes of a family long associated with Northampton county, in its public and industrial affairs. The Snyder family in its various branches have been in Northampton county for at least three generations, and were among the pioneers of its development.

Quintus E. Snyder was born in South Bethlehem, February 6, 1869, the son of Stephen A. and Elizabeth (Gibbons) Snyder. His father, Stephen A. Snyder, was born in Northampton county, in 1839, and lived a life full of activity in public affairs until 1911. He was in office until his death; was a Democrat of the staunch, unbending, old type, his firm character and political integrity bringing him many responsible offices during his lifetime. He was popular and highly regarded in his district, and was held in the office of assessor for twenty-five years, and for the last five years of his life he was



tax collector for the city. It is not known to the present chronicler whether Quintus E. Snyder comes of Revolutionary stock, or whether his immediate line holds veterans of national service during the Civil War, but through his wife his line is linked with that of men who were soldiers of the Union during the Civil War. Two uncles of his wife, Charles E. Graves and John J. Graves, gave distinguished service during the struggle; both were sharpshooters, and both were slightly wounded. John J. Graves is now secretary of the Grand Army of the Republic of New York State, and his son, Walter Ross Graves, is a senator of that State, being elected to the Senate after a long and notable term as assemblyman. The children of Stephen A. and Elizabeth (Gibbons) Snyder were: Susan E., who married William Osborne, of New York City, and has two children; Annie, who is unmarried, and lives in Bethlehem; DeWitt, now of Ballston Springs, New York State, who married Jeannette Herrick, of New York; Ida, who died in infancy; and Quintus E., of whom more hereafter.

Quintus E. Snyder received his elementary education in the public schools of his native place, his parents afterwards sending him to Allentown, Pennsylvania, for higher collegiate preparation in the Muhlenburg Preparatory School of that place. From that institution he eventually graduated, but then decided to terminate his school days, and enter business life without delay. He was of mechanical bent, and his father agreed to his being apprenticed to engineering. Some years later, he was given supervision of the engineering plant of H. W. Draper, of Albany, New York. There he remained for twelve years, returning then to Bethlehem to assist his aged father in the duties of the office of tax collector. As deputy tax collector he assisted his father until the latter's death, which occurred in 1911. He was then offered the collectorship, and as such has since been part of the city administration. Like his father, Quintus E. Snyder has always firmly adhered to the Democratic party in national politics, and on the election boards of his district has served the party well. He is also identified with many of the leading fraternal organizations; is an Elk, member of Lodge 1209, Bethlehem; is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, with which he became associated while at Albany, New York; is a member of the Bethlehem lodge of Knights of Pythias; and also of the Bethlehem Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose. Religiously, he is a member of the Lutheran church, attending St. Peter's Church at Bethlehem.

Mr. Snyder married, February 11, 1890, at Albany, New York, Anna, daughter of John S. and Anna (Graves) Charter, of that place. Mrs. Snyder was only an infant when her father died, but her mother is still living, and of late years has resided with her daughter and son-in-law in Bethlehem. The children of Quintus E. and Anna (Charter) Snyder are: 1. Charles Stephen, born November 4, 1890; received an excellent education, passing through the common and preparatory schools and then entering Lehigh University, from which he was graduated in due course; he entered the profession of civil engineering with encouraging prospects, but the national call to arms in 1917 found him ready and eager to transfer his service and his technical knowledge to the nation; he became a member of the Twenty-third United States Engineers, which was early in France, and bore the brunt of much of the earlier fighting; when last heard from he was a sergeant in Company C of that regiment, and although his regiment has been assigned to many of the more hazardous tasks at the front that have fallen within the scope of the work of the Engineer Corps, and his parents had many anxious moments of suspense during the terrific last one hundred days of the war, it is believed that he was still alive when the fighting terminated in November. 2. Anna Evelyn, born July 22, 1893, at Albany, New York, married Henry R. Cox, also a graduate of Lehigh University, and now a responsible official of the Bethlehem Steel Company; they live in Bethlehem, and a child, Evelyn A., was born to them on January 30, 1916.



**DR. FRANK J. EDELMAN**—A veterinary surgeon, Dr. Edelman is widely known as one skilled in his profession, and in public life as the capable burgess of the borough of Bath, Pennsylvania, an office into which he was inducted in the spring of 1918. He is a son of William and Amelia Edelman, his father born in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, a farmer, member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and a Republican in politics, who died in 1914. His widow, Amelia, survives him at the age of seventy-five years. William and Amelia Edelman were the parents of four sons and six daughters, nine of these children yet living: Ella, married a Mr. Rossmiller; Sarah, married R. A. Freeman; Ida, married James Delong; Saville, married John Schlegel; Gertrude, married George Ludlum; Florence, married Samuel H. Kunkel; Howard, married Alice Lichtenwalter; George; Frank J., of further mention; and Victor, married Mabel McAllister.

Frank J. Edelman was born at the home farm near Nazareth, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1879. He attended the district school, and a school in Bath, Pennsylvania, his teachers in the latter place being Asa McIlhaney and George Humbert. At the age of sixteen, after obtaining his father's permission, he accompanied an older sister to Chicago, and there made his home and greatly improved his educational standing. After completing high school study he began the study of pharmacy and clerked in a drug store four years. He then entered a department of the Northwestern University of Chicago, whence he was graduated in pharmacy, 1900. He continued a drug clerk in Chicago for ten years, then moved to North Dakota, and opened a drug store in Battineau. Later he conducted a drug store at Rollo, North Dakota, continuing until 1913, when he returned to Chicago, and became a student in the Chicago Veterinary College. He was graduated D.V.M., class of 1916, and at once returned to his native State and opened an office in Bath, Northampton county, where he is now in successful practice as a veterinarian.

Dr. Edelman is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with Dunseith Lodge, No. 99, North Dakota, until joining with Manoquesy Lodge, No. 413, Bath, Pennsylvania, by demit. Member of the Easton Forest, No. 35, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and the American Veterinary Medical Association. Through the generosity of Edelmanns in relieving the United Evangelical church of its debt by canceling a mortgage held against it, the church has since been known as the Edelman Memorial, and of that church Dr. Edelman is a member. He is a member of the Republican party, and he was elected burgess of Bath in 1918.

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**RUSSELL J. MORRISON**—Although established in business, and with a family depending upon him, Russell J. Morrison, of Easton, answered his country's call, and from July 19, 1918, until honorably discharged December 18, 1918, was in the United States naval service, stationed at Puget Sound Navy Yard, Washington, the base for the Pacific fleet of United States war vessels. He is an electrical contractor of Easton, a man of skill, with knowledge of electricity and its varied uses. He is a grandson of Samuel Morrison, who came from Scotland, and in 1852 settled at Glendon, near Easton, Pennsylvania.

John C. Morrison, son of Samuel Morrison, was born in Hokendauqua Pennsylvania, and was educated in the public schools of Coledale, his parents moving to these villages after their coming to Glendon. He was variously employed in his younger years, but finally he entered railroad employ and became a locomotive engineer, serving the Lehigh Valley railroad in that capacity for thirty-one years. He married Margaret Evans, daughter of John Evans, of Welsh birth and parentage. John Evans came to the United States with his wife and eight children, in 1865, locating in Hazleton, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Morrison were the parents of two children: Russell J., of further mention; and Florence S.

Russell J. Morrison, only son of John C. and Margaret (Evans) Morrison, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, June 21, 1889. He was educated in the public schools of Easton and Lehigh, finishing in the Lehigh High School. At the age of sixteen years he began electrical work with the Ill & Ill Company, continuing with that company for five years. In 1910 he engaged in business for himself as an electrical contractor and dealer in electrical supplies, locating his store at No. 467 Northampton street. He found his venture a successful one, and in June, 1915, he moved to a better location at No. 646 Northampton street, where he continues at this date, 1919. He is a skilled electrician and finds abundant demand for his services. Mr. Morrison enlisted in the United States Navy, July 19, 1918, and was at once assigned to duty at Puget Sound Navy Yard, Washington, as an electrician with non-commissioned rank. He continued in the service there until mustered out, December 18, 1918, when he returned to Easton, reaching home on Christmas Day. The signing of the armistice cut short his naval service, but he performed every required duty, and had occasion required, the two millions of soldiers and sailors who did not have the opportunity would have rivaled the deeds of their brethren who so gloriously met their foe on land and sea, in the waters beneath, and in the air above. After his return home, Mr. Morrison resumed business as electrical contractor and supply dealer. He is a member of Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In politics he is an independent voter, and in religious connection a member of the South Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Morrison married, in New York City, April 17, 1909, Nellie Rake, of Easton, daughter of George Rake, of Easton.

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**MICHAEL ALOYSIUS McNAMARA**—Eighty-six years ago, in 1833, Cornelius McNamara first saw the light of day in County Limerick, Ireland. About 1838, Elizabeth Dinan was born in County Clare, Ireland. This boy and girl, when young, came to the United States, met in Easton, Pennsylvania, and were there married. The wife died in Bethlehem, leaving nine children; but Cornelius, the father, is still active, and in his appearance gives little evidence of the weight of years he is carrying. He is living in Bethlehem, long since retired from active duty, but during all the industrious years of his life he was a mechanic in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company. Children of Cornelius and Elizabeth (Dinan) McNamara: John, a railroad man until his death; Patrick, a railroad employee until 1916, when he entered the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company, married Sarah Maxwell, and they are the parents of twelve children, eight of whom are living; Thomas, a railroad man all his life and for fourteen years a member of South Bethlehem borough council, married Mary McFadden, of Bethlehem; James, unmarried, a railroad employee all his life and a resident of Bethlehem; Dennis, a railroad man residing in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Cornelius, unmarried, a resident of Bethlehem; Elizabeth, married John McFadden, manager in charge of the open hearth department of the Bethlehem Steel Company; Robert, an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company, married Almeda Snyder; Michael A., of further mention.

Michael A. McNamara, son of Cornelius and Elizabeth (Dinan) McNamara, was born in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, February 16, 1877, and was educated in the public school. After leaving school he was employed for one year with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, then for another year was with the Hall Signal Company. Realizing the value of a trade, he became an apprentice with the Bethlehem Steel Company, serving four years in the machine shops, then was employed for nine years as a machinist with the Bethlehem Foundry & Machine Company, afterwards retiring from his

trade to accept an appointment as a letter carrier at the South Bethlehem post-office, and for eleven years filled that position; in May, 1917, he was appointed justice of the peace. In January, 1918, he was elected an alderman of the city of Bethlehem, an office he is still holding.

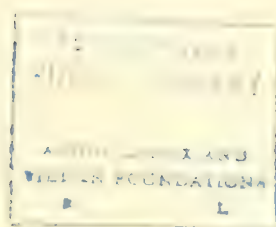
While in the United States postal service, Mr. McNamara was a member of the National Association of Letter Carriers, and as a delegate attended national conventions held in Omaha, Nebraska; San Francisco, California; and Rochester, New York. He is a Democrat in politics, a member of Holy Infancy Roman Catholic Church, and is interested in athletic sports, contests of strength, skill or endurance, and very fond of hunting. In younger days he was a baseball and football player of note, and as a runner made creditable amateur records in the 100-yard dash, the 220, 440 and 880-yard runs. He has a collection of prizes won in such contests, some of them taken in prominent meets in competition with college men of note. He was also a well known local football coach, and as his splendid physique clearly proves, has always been a man of clean life. He has never used either tobacco or liquor, and his word to would-be athletes is "Touch not, taste not," either tobacco or liquor in any form. This is an athlete's advice to boys and young men, and not the advice of a reformer or a crank. Mr. McNamara was the organizer of the Pioneer Social & Athletic Club, which is now in the twentieth year of its life.

In 1902, Mr. McNamara married Mary Conlin, daughter of Austin and Mary Conlin, of South Bethlehem. Mrs. McNamara died October 8, 1908, leaving two sons: John, born October 13, 1902; and Austin, born April 30, 1904. He married (second), in October, 1913, Catherine G. Cox.

**GEORGE HENRY WASHINGTON YOUNG**—George H. W. Young long an honored business man and public official of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was born near Weaversville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, September 29, 1853, and died in Bethlehem, June 20, 1913, son of Reuben and Julia (Neligh) Young, his mother of English family.

George H. W. Young was educated in the public schools and Weaversville Academy, then began his career by devoting three years to aiding others in their efforts to secure an education. After that period he abandoned teaching as a profession, came to Bethlehem, and entered the employ of his brother, Samuel Young, a merchant. He spent three years as a clerk with his brother, then, about 1877, purchased the business. For thirty-six years, until his death, Mr. Young continued his connection with the store which became one of the best known gentleman's centers in Bethlehem. He was an able business man, progressive and enterprising, always a leader. The business which he so successfully conducted for so long is still continued by his estate. A resident of West Bethlehem he served that borough with zeal and public spirit. For several terms he was a member of the School Board, and in 1889 was elected burgess. He was re-elected for the succeeding term, and was solicited to accept a third election, but declined. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, but later was one of the founders of Holy Trinity Church in West Bethlehem, a church which was first started as a mission. He took a deep interest in the church, and was always ready to lend a hand in aid of any good cause. He was a man of genial, friendly nature, and highly esteemed for his sterling, manly character.

Mr. Young married, February 10, 1877, in Grace Lutheran Church, Rev. J. B. Rath, officiating, Rebecca T. Berger, daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Kline) Berger, old and respected members of the Bethlehem community. Mrs. Young survives her husband and continues her residence in Bethlehem. Children: 1. Ada M., residing with her mother. 2. Arthur Reuben, a graduate of Lehigh University, C. E., class of 1901; a noted lacrosse player and holder of class honors as a student; he married Christina MacArthur, and







Chas. P. Ayers.

they have three children: Helen C., John A., and Catherine R. 3. Helen A., married Fred A. Johnson, of New York. 4. Marian R., married Ralph A. Martin, a teacher of mathematics in high school, at Jersey City, New Jersey; they are the parents of two sons: James A. and Robert Martin. 5. Beulah Irene, married Preston A. Lambert, a graduate of Lehigh University, now superintendent of a munition plant at Carpenter, Illinois; they have children: Dorothy A., Preston A. (3), and Edward A. Lambert.

**CHARLES P. AYERS**—The Ayers family of Northampton county is one of the ancient landmarks of that section of now Upper and Lower Mount Bethel townships, the founder a notable man whose Scotch ancestry is a guarantee of his strong, moral fibre, tenacity of purpose, and thriftiness. He settled in this county early in the eighteenth century.

(I) This founder, David Ayers, owned a section of land in the vicinity of Richmond, Northampton county, which he cleared, and upon which he built a house that was much finer and more modern than anything in that section. That house, so well and substantially built, is yet the home of a descendant, nor has it ever been out of the family ownership. He also built a mill which he operated in those early days, that mill a great convenience, nay, a boon to the settlers thereabout. He operated the mill as long as he lived, then was succeeded by his son Moses, he in turn by his son David, and David by his son David Brinton Ayers, owner and proprietor of the Belvidere Mills. David Ayers, the founder, was a member of the Presbyterian church, a justice of the peace of Lower Mount Bethel township, and a man of strong character, sound common sense, his standing in his community the very highest. He had two sons, David (2), who went to the Ohio country, and Moses, mentioned below.

(II) Moses Ayers, son of David Ayers, remained at the homestead operated the mill, and spent his life on the Lower Mount Bethel farm, upon which he was born. He was a shrewd, practical man of business, widely known and as highly esteemed. Like his father, he was a Presbyterian, and right worthily he filled his place in both church and township. He married a Miss Britton, and they were the parents of five sons and four daughters: Levi, who made a home in the West; David, who succeeded his father as a miller and mill owner; Nathaniel; Moses, who owned nearly a hundred acres of his grandfather's original farm; Rev. Samuel Ayers, a Presbyterian clergyman; Jane, Betsey, Peggy and Sarah.

(III) David (2) Ayers, son of Moses Ayers, and grandson of David Ayers, the pioneer settler, farmer and miller of Lower Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, was born at the homestead about the year 1810, and always lived in that locality. He continued the old mill, married, and passed a life of usefulness. Among his children was a son, Robert Britton, mentioned below.

(IV) Robert Britton Ayers, son of David (2) Ayers, was a miller and mill owner, operating the Belvidere mills in the days when the Durham boats on the Delaware formed the chief means of freight transportation between the Forks of the Delaware and Philadelphia. When the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad was building, he secured a contract for the section lying between Manunka Chunk and the crossing of the Delaware at the Watergap. After its completion he returned to his old business, milling. He purchased and operated mills at Harmony and Carpenterville, New Jersey, his death occurring at the last-named village in 1878. Robert Britton Ayers married Louisa Bairdbridge Pierson, daughter of Charles and Margaret (Cline) Pierson. They were the parents of two daughters, both deceased, and two sons: Charles Pierson, mentioned below; and Orville Dewey, president of Losey & Company of Easton.

(V) Charles Pierson Ayers, eldest son of Robert Britton and Louisa B.

(Pierson) Ayers, was born at Harmony, New Jersey, June 29, 1861. He was educated in the public schools, finishing with high school courses at the age of nineteen, and then he became an apprentice to the miller's trade, under Jacob Walter, then operating the first full roller process flour mill in the State of Pennsylvania, that mill located at Bushkill Park. In 1885 he came to Easton as superintendent of the newly reconstructed mill owned by Frank C. Williams, and for fifteen years that connection continued without interruption. In the year 1900 he was appointed mill superintendent of the C. K. Williams Company, and for eighteen years that association has continued. He is a member of the Easton Board of Trade; the Kiwanis Club; the Young Men's Christian Association, also a member of its board of directors; First Methodist Episcopal Church, member of its board of trustees; Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; in politics a Republican. He was active in the War Chest, Liberty Loans and Easton Hospital building fund campaigns, and aided all in his power to bring each campaign to a successful conclusion.

Mr. Ayers married, June 1, 1889, Emma Cattman Williams, daughter of Joseph Thompson and Margaret Jane (Butler) Williams. Mrs. Ayers is a leader in church and charitable work, a director of the Easton Hospital, interested in children's welfare work, and a liberal friend of the Children's Home, active in Young Women's Christian Association work, and in the children's department of the First Methodist Church, of which she is a member. Mr. and Mrs. Ayers are the parents of three children: 1. Ruth Naomi, married John O. Rinek, manager of the Crucible Steel Company of New Jersey, and has two children: John W. and Lorenz Ayres Rinek. 2. Lorenz Kneeder, a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1909; Lafayette College, department of chemistry, class of 1913; an employee of the C. K. Williams Company until his enlistment in the United States aviation service; trained at the Ground School at Columbus, Ohio, was then attached to the Royal Flying Corps (British), and received special training in aerial gunnery and aerial observation work at Toronto and Camp Borden, Canada, and Hicks, Texas; he was commissioned first lieutenant and assigned as armament officer of the Twenty-eighth American Aero Squadron; he spent thirteen months in France, and flew as an observer for a period of five months over the German lines, in the Flanders sector, while attached to No. 18 Squadron, Royal Air Force (British); he was in many aerial engagement, and was officially credited with having shot down one German aircraft; the remainder of his time in France he acted as armament officer of No. 17 Aero Squadron (American), which squadron operated with the British Air Force from July, 1918, until the armistice was signed. 3. Joseph William, a student of Easton High School, class of 1922.

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**JOHN WILLIAM FALVEY**—John William Falvey, general manager of the General Supply and the Alpha Supply companies, is a grandson of John Falvey, of County Cork, Ireland, who came to this country with his family and located at Springfield, Massachusetts. His son, Dennis Falvey, was born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1836, and came to this country with his father at the age of fifteen years, and for several years resided at Springfield, Massachusetts. Later he married and removed to Richmond, Virginia. In 1864 he left there and coming North, located in Easton, Pennsylvania, where he became an iron mill worker, thus continuing until his death, December 12, 1907. Dennis Falvey married Hannah Lynch, born in 1835, who yet survives him, a resident of Easton, in her eighty-fourth year. They were the parents of ten children, six of whom are living: Dennis; John W., of further mention; Michael; Mary, wife of John Dugan; Catherine; and Ellen, wife of James A. Murray, of Columbus, Ohio.



John W. Falvey, third son of Dennis and Hannah (Lynch) Falvey, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, January 30, 1867, and was educated in the city public schools. He began business life in 1884 as a grocery clerk, so continuing until 1889, from which time until 1904 he was engaged in the merchandise business for his own account. Having become interested in public affairs, he was chosen to office. In February, 1898, he was elected auditor of the borough of South Easton, and served as auditor in the borough until it was annexed to the city of Easton. In November, 1898, he was elected to the office of clerk of the County Commissioners of Northampton county and re-elected to the same office in 1901 and served until the expiration of his term, December 31, 1904. April 1, 1905, he became connected with the General Supply Company and established their business in Easton, and in 1906 he established a branch of this company at Bethlehem. He is still connected with this company as its general manager and also general manager of the Alpha Supply Company, and he is an important factor in their successful operations. He is an active member of the Easton Board of Trade, and has served on various committees of the board and borne his full share of the work of the board.

Although largely self-educated, he is a well-informed man and is one of Easton's earnest, patriotic citizens whose co-operation may always be relied upon in any progressive movement. He is a member of St. Bernard's Roman Catholic Church, the Knights of Columbus, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Kiwanis Club. He was active in all war campaigns, having served on the four Liberty Loans, Red Cross, War Chest, Young Men's Christian Association, and manager of the Knights of Columbus War Campaign. He was elected secretary of the War Camp Community Service for providing amusement for the entertainment of the soldiers stationed at Camp Lafayette. He was chairman of the Knights of Columbus Committee who furnished eleven high-class entertainments and four Wednesday evening band concerts for the soldiers at Camp Lafayette. The concerts were given through the kindness of the Ingersoll-Rand Band and the entertainments continued until halted by the influenza epidemic. In November, 1918, when the United Activity Drive was in operation, he was appointed county representative for the Catholic War Council and did a large amount of work in bringing about Northampton county's share in this great work.

Mr. Falvey married, November 18, 1900, Mary Ford, daughter of Michael and Catherine (Murray) Ford, of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. Mrs. Falvey is active in charitable and patriotic work, and belongs to the various church and local societies engaged in such labors. Nothing is of too strenuous a nature for her to shrink from active participation, and her good deeds will long be remembered. She is president of the Daughters of St. Elizabeth of St. Bernard's Catholic Church, member of the Red Cross and Social Service League, and the Catholic Women's Alliance of America. Mr. and Mrs. Falvey are the parents of three daughters and a son: Mary Madeline, a graduate of St. Bernard's School, class of 1918; John Gerald, Frances and Elizabeth.

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**EDWIN H. MAST**—As merchant, decorator and amusement purveyor, Mr. Mast, proprietor of the wall paper store, No. 8 South Second street, and formerly general manager of the Strand Theatre, Easton, is one of the well known and highly esteemed business men of Easton who have won for that city its enviable reputation. He is a son of William H. Mast, and grandson of John W. Mast, and great-grandson of the founder of the family who came from Germany to Virginia, thence to Pennsylvania, settling in Northampton county. John W. Mast was a resident of Allentown and Bethlehem, a member of the Lutheran church, and a member of the first congregation of that faith formed in Bethlehem.



William H. Mast, son of John W. Mast, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and a resident there until his death in 1902, at the age of fifty-five years. He was educated in the public schools, and was variously employed during his lifetime, being a shoemaker, a carpenter, and for a number of years an iron and steel worker. He was a man of industrious habits, a Democrat in politics, a Lutheran in religion, quiet, and home loving, having many friends. When President Lincoln called for men in 1861, Mr. Mast responded and served four years and three months, saw active service, and received four bayonet wounds in battle, having re-enlisted after his first three months. He married Mary Fretz, of Quakertown, who died September 23, 1917, aged eighty-three years. Both William H. and Mary (Fretz) Mast are buried in the Lutheran Cemetery at Bethlehem. They were the parents of five children: George W., now engaged in farming near Bethlehem; Emily, married Jackson Fluck, of Bethlehem; Edwin H., of further mention; Cora, died in infancy; Charles F., who resides in the West.

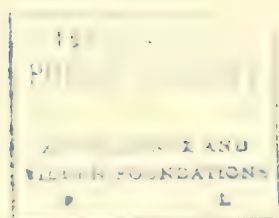
Edwin H. Mast, son of William H. and Mary (Fretz) Mast, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1871, and there spent the first twenty years of his life. He passed the grades and finished the first year high school years an iron and steel worker. He was a man of industrious habits, a Demolisher's trade. He became an expert interior decorator during the fourteen years in which he followed his trade as journeyman in Bethlehem and Easton, he not beginning business on his own account until 1904. He opened a wallpaper store at No. 154 Northampton street, Easton, in that year, and until 1907 conducted a general paper-hanging and decorating business in connection with that store. In the spring of 1907 his original partner sold out to John Neumeyer, and a year later Mr. Mast bought Mr. Neumeyer's interest and became sole owner. He continued business at the original location until April, 1917, then removed to his present location, No. 8 South Second street, with a warehouse at the corner of Third and Ferry streets. He has continued in business very successfully until the present, his establishment being one of the best known and largely patronized of its kind in the city.

In 1915, Mr. Mast became interested in the motion picture business, and in addition to his private affairs was part owner and general manager of the Strand Theatre, a popular house of entertainment in Easton. He is a member of Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Van Dever Lodge No. 1105, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Pomfret Club; Rotary Club; St. Paul's Lutheran Church; and in politics is a lifelong Republican. During the period of the war, when the demand for munition workers exceeded the supply, he "did his bit" by working for eight months in the Ingersoll-Rand plant at Phillipsburg, making shells for the United States Government.

Mr. Mast married, in Allentown, Pennsylvania, October 6, 1902, Laura Guth, daughter of Harrison and Mary Guth, of Allentown.

**WILLIAM FRANK FRICK** Reuben Frick, grandfather of William F. Frick, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was a farmer of Rittersville, Pennsylvania, and there his son, Charles Frick, was born. Reuben was a war veteran and a man of industrious, upright life. Charles Frick was born at Rittersville, Pennsylvania, the log house in which he was born still standing on the old farm. He married Annie Krader, whose mother, Elizabeth Krader, is now living in Phillipsburg, Pennsylvania, aged eighty-six years. Charles and Annie (Krader) Frick are the parents of twelve children, six of whom are living: Preston C., a steel mill worker; Alfred E., in the silk business; Helen, married Daniel Whitmeyer, manager of the Mever-Heiberger store; Myrtle, residing with her parents; Florence, married Clifford Miley, now serving in the United States Army; William F., of further mention.

William F. Frick was born in Leithsville, Pennsylvania, April 15, 1882, and was educated in the public schools of Bethlehem, finishing in high school.





*J. H. Speck*

He spent five years in the city of Philadelphia after leaving school, and learned the confectionery business. He then returned to Bethlehem, where for two years he was manager of the Meyer-Heiberger ice-cream business. In 1917 he came to his present location, No. 301 West Broad street, where he conducts a high grade confectionery business. Mr. Frick is a Democrat in politics, and a member of Holy Trinity Church, serving three years as a member of the church council, and also as a member of the building committee. He is a member of Oppmanyhook Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, and Eyrie No. 284, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Mr. Frick married, June 21, 1902, Marie F. Schuler, daughter of Jacob and Twilly (Roth) Schuler, of East Texas, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. Jacob Schuler, an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company for twenty years, died in 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Frick are the parents of a son, Charles Jacob Frick, born in Bethlehem, February 1, 1905. During the Spanish-American War, Mr. Frick enlisted in the Ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was stationed at Chickamauga Park, Tennessee. At the close of the war he was mustered out at Lexington, Kentucky.

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**FORREST FRANKLIN SPECK** Grandson of an American soldier who gave up his life at Vera Cruz during the Mexican War, Forrest Franklin Speck, contractor and builder of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, inherits a wealth of patriotic zeal and example which has inspired his entire life from boyhood. His grandparents came from Saxony, bringing their son Jacob, a boy of six years, with them. The emigrant imbibed American sentiment, and when the time came to give expression to his gratitude and love for the land which had given him home and opportunity, he enlisted under the flag he loved and marched away, never to return, his death occurring at almost the very beginning of the Mexican War, when General Scott landed his troops at Vera Cruz and began his series of victories which terminated in the capture of the city of Mexico. He was one of the twelve thousand men who gathered near Vera Cruz, landing March 9, 1847. Upon an island opposite was a very strong fortress, the castle of San Juan de Ulloa, which the Mexicans regarded as invulnerable. General Scott invaded the city and fortress, and for fifteen days rained shot and shell upon the defenders. On March 29, 1847, five thousand Mexicans surrendered with the city of Vera Cruz and the fortress of San Juan de Ulloa, with five thousand pieces of artillery and vast quantities of munitions of war. The Mexican loss was one thousand killed and many wounded. The American loss under the fifteen days' siege was but eighty killed and wounded, and among those who gave up their lives was the elder Speck, father of Jacob Speck, and grandfather of the Speck brothers of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Jacob Speck, from his sixth year, was a native of Bethlehem, and although left without a father's guiding hand and thrown upon his own resources, he was of sound material and developed into a fine example of honorable manhood. He engaged in the contracting and building business, following his natural mechanical instinct, and became superintendent for J. Stewart Allam, one of the leading contractors of the Lehigh Valley. Jacob Speck married Lydia Ann Yost, and they were the parents of fourteen children, this and the following sketch dealing with the careers of three of the sons, Forrest Franklin, who has been prominently identified with the building activities of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and to whose skill and ability some of the finest structures in the city stand as monuments; Edgar Wallace and William Warren, also contractors and builders.

Forrest Franklin Speck was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, January 17, 1868, and during his half century of life has known no other permanent home. He attended public school until thirteen years of age, then for three years was errand boy and general utility clerk with the dry-goods firm, then



Riegel, Cortright & Solt. In 1884, at the age of sixteen years, he began learning the carpenter trade with J. S. Allam, a contracting builder of the South Side, and for fourteen years, as apprentice and journeyman, he followed the carpenter's trade. But he was ambitious of becoming a contractor himself, and in 1896 completed a special course of study with the American Correspondence School, March of that year marking the date of his entrance into the ranks of Bethlehem contracting builders. Nearly a quarter of a century has since elapsed, and he has been continuously in business during that entire period, each year making an advance in the good will and esteem of the building public, the proof being in evidence all over the city. Countless smaller buildings, residences and blocks for business purposes, have been erected, while among the larger and more important of the contracts which he has executed may be named the buildings of the Bethlehem Trust Company, the Beck Decorating Company, the George W. Riegel store, Cox's ward at St. Luke's Hospital, and Comenus Hall at the Moravian College and Theological Seminary. These buildings attest not alone his skill as a builder, but his reliability, integrity and the sacredness in which he holds a contract. The Rice and Cole residences on Market street are but two of many fine residences which he has built. The large plant of the Shimer Manufacturing Company, the Henry Erwin & Son paint factory and H. S. Snyder's group of farm buildings at the Green Pond Farm, Farmersville, Pennsylvania, stand as representations of his work.

Progressive and public-spirited, Mr. Speck has kept in close touch with all modern improvement, and is one of the many men who are sought for in counsel. He was one of the leading spirits in the organization of the Master Building Association, of the Lehigh Valley; served for nine years on the Bethlehem School Board, six years of which he was secretary; is a director of the Bethlehem Trust Company, which he aided in organizing; belongs to the Lincoln Republican Association; is a member of the Bethlehem and Rotary clubs, and in the Masonic order holds all degrees of the Bethlehem bodies, Knights Templar and Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He joined heartily with the supporters of the "hill to hill" bridge and the borough consolidation projects, and in the war drive he was an ardently enthusiastic worker. He is devoted to his business, but enjoys out-of-door pleasures, motoring and athletics, but in his own words his hobbies are "My work and my family." He has won honorable position in the community in which his life has been spent, and enjoys the esteem of all who know him. He is a member of the Lutheran church, and an independent in politics.

Mr. Speck married, August 30, 1893, Ida L., daughter of John and Sarah (Gable) Grant, of Salfordville, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. They are the parents of seven children: Blanche G.; Willard J., died aged eighteen months; William Grant; George Dewey, born in 1898, and named in honor of the hero of Manila bay; Beatrice L., Frances E. and Archibald F. The elder sons are all associated with their father's business.

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**EDGAR WALLACE AND WILLIAM WARREN SPECK** -It is difficult to separate the Speck brothers in the minds of Bethlehemites, for they have never been separated, being twins at birth, twins in their trade learning, and for many years twins or partners in their large and important building operations, for like their honored father they are contactors and builders of high repute.

Edgar Wallace and William Warren Speck, twin sons of Jacob and Lydia Ann (Yost) Speck, were born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, October 15, 1871. They were educated in the public schools, then became apprentices under J. Stewart Allam, a contractor and builder of South Bethlehem, with whom they remained until his death. They then began contracting and building under the firm name Speck Brothers, and have developed a large building

business along the modern lines of real estate promotion. While their private contracts for dwellings, business houses, factory and municipal buildings are extensive, they are perhaps better known as the enterprising, progressive promoters of that addition to the city of Bethlehem known as the old fair grounds. That beautiful site and property they bought for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), laid it out in streets and avenues, and thereon built several hundred residences which they sold on the easy payment plan, if buyer so desired. Their present operation is the development of the tract placed upon the market by the Melrose Land Company. Among the expensive residences which the Speck Brothers have built is that recently completed for M. J. Shimer, while the one hundred thousand dollar power plant for the Blue Ridge Traction Company, Danielsville, Pennsylvania, is another of their weightier contracts, others being twenty-two houses for the Bethlehem Steel Company, and the five-story addition to the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company building. They are owners of much valuable business, residential and farm property.

Edgar Wallace Speck, in addition to his business interest aforementioned, is a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, the Bethlehem Real Estate Board, and the School Board; director of the Lehigh Valley National Bank, the Bethlehem Securities Company, the Melrose Land Company, the Bethlehem Cemetery Association, and president of the United Cemetery Association. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Salem Lutheran Church. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, and a past officer of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married Emma Bender, daughter of Valentine and Elizabeth Bender, and they are the parents of two children: Margaret and Robert.

William Warren Speck also holds membership in the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, the Bethlehem Real Estate Board, the Bethlehem Cemetery Association, of which he is a director, and the Melrose Land Company, of which he is also a director. He has been a liberal supporter of St. Luke's Hospital, and of the Orphans' Home at Germantown, Philadelphia, connected with the Salem Lutheran Church, of which he is a member, serving in the choir since sixteen years of age, and for over twenty years as teacher of a class of boys in the Sunday school. He was active in all war activities, a liberal contributor to the War Chest and an investor in war loans. He is a Democrat in politics. He holds membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, and the Knights of Malta. He married S. Olivia Bender, daughter of Valentine and Elizabeth Bender, a sister of Mrs. Edgar Wallace Speck.

After the perusal of the foregoing, it will be plain why in a history of their native county these twin native sons should not be separated, but as their lives have been so closely interwoven by birth, business and marriage, so for all time should the published record of one be the record of the other. They are men of worth both in substance and in character, worthy sons of a worthy sire.

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**RICHARD N. M. SNYDER**—While the family has many branches in every part of Pennsylvania, the Northampton county line, of which Richard N. M. Snyder, of Easton, is representative, was founded by Nicholas Snyder, who on December 9, 1774, bought of Abraham Frantz one hundred and sixteen acres of farm land lying in Lehigh township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. There Nicholas Snyder lived and died, and family tradition says that he is buried in St. Peter's churchyard at Cherryville.

Richard N. M. Snyder's grandfather was Andrew Snyder, who served in the State Legislature, and was always active in public affairs.

Richard N. M. Snyder's father was Herbert Snyder, who was born in Bethel township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1861, son of a far-

mer. Herbert Snyder was for twenty-five years a furniture dealer, one of Eastons' enterprising merchants and leading citizens, and was always active in public affairs. He married Mary Jane Miller, daughter of Richard N. Miller, and they were the parents of three children, Richard N. M., the eldest.

Richard N. M. Snyder was born in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, March 10, 1886, but the same year his parents moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, which city has ever since been his home. He completed public school courses of study with graduation from Easton High School, class of 1905, then entered Lafayette College. During these years he had developed musical talent of a high order and had studied under capable instructors. Deciding that his talent offered him best means of being of service to his fellow men, he has made music his profession and his life work. He organized Snyder's Orchestra during his college days, and as its leader has ever continued its office to furnish ball and banquet music, in addition to their regular engagement at the Orpheum Theatre. The orchestra is a recognized part of Easton's musical equipment, is well known and liberally patronized. Mr. Snyder is a member of Easton's Board of Trade and Rotary Club, and may always be relied upon to do his full share in all public movements. As a leader of band or orchestra he has no superiors in the city and personally he ranks high both as musician and citizen. He has attained the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Phi Delta Theta, and his political bias is Democratic.

Mr. Snyder married, May 4, 1917, Evelyn J. Case, daughter of Frank and Jennie (Paul) Case, of Easton. Mrs. Snyder is a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1907.

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**ARTHUR B. KLEINHANS**—For half a century the Kleinhans' gardens and greenhouses located on the South Side have been patronized by Eastonians. The father, Hiram Kleinhans, founded and developed general truck and floral gardens, and when he passed away full of years and honors, the son, Arthur B. Kleinhans, succeeded to the management, and specialized in cut flowers. Arthur B. is a grandson of Jacob and Susan (Phiffer) Kleinhans, both of whom were born in William township, Northampton county. Both branches of the family early settled in the county, great-grandfather Phiffer entering six hundred acres of government land. Jacob Kleinhans was a tailor by trade, but was also a farmer and land owner of Williams township. He was a strong Democrat, and in religious faith a Lutheran.

Hiram Kleinhans was born at the farm in Williams township, October 30, 1836, died at his home in South Easton in 1913, having filled well his station in life. He was educated in the district schools and spent his early life at the home farm. Starting out a farmer, he gradually drifted into market gardening and the growing of flowers. He was the owner of a sixty-acre farm in Williams township, but he gave his personal attention to the thirty acres in Seitzville that comprised his floral garden and market farm, which property, the Kleinhans' greenhouses, later became a part of the borough of South Easton and finally with South Easton was annexed to the city of Easton. For several months of the Civil War he served in the Union Army, but, becoming disabled, he was honorably discharged. He then returned home and started gardens for raising vegetables and flowers, and that business grew into one of large proportions in both departments. In time, greenhouses were added, and Kleinhans' greenhouses became a well established institution. Mr. Kleinhans was one of Easton's pioneer florists, and he expanded with his business and became one of the really prominent men of his district. He made his home on the South Side and was one of the potent factors in securing the legislation, adding Seitzville to the borough of South Easton and later in having South Easton annexed to the city of Easton. He







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served Northampton county two terms as commissioner and held many of the local offices under township rule. When his home became a part of South Easton, he served as member of the Borough Council and as burgess, the highest borough office. He was a wise leader, clear-headed and public-spirited, a man well known and highly esteemed. He worshipped in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, of which he was for a long time an active and official member, and in political faith was a Democrat. Hiram Kleinhans married Isabella Fossbiender, daughter of William Fossbiender, of Lower Mount Bethel township, who died in 1915, aged seventy-four years. They were the parents of twelve children: William H., a resident of Easton; Emma F., married Frank Heinline, of Easton; Quintus, deceased; Hiram, deceased; Thomas O., a resident of Easton; Samuel H., deceased, formerly connected with the Newport News (Virginia) Shipbuilding Company; Howard P., a lumber dealer, of Mayfield, Virginia; Frank B., deceased, formerly connected with the Carnegie Steel Works of Pittsburgh, the author of several works on steel and steel construction which were considered as authority, and his death in the prime of youthful manhood, ended a life of brilliant promise; Susan, deceased; Arthur B., who is of further mention; James P., now with the Ingersoll Manufacturing Company; Jeanette Isabelle, widow of Harry Post, of Easton.

Arthur B. Kleinhans, tenth of the children of Hiram and Isabella (Fossbiender) Kleinhans, was born at the South Easton home of his parents, January 6, 1878. He was educated in the public schools, and after completing his studies, became associated with his father, who was then a successful market gardener and florist. Arthur B. adopted the business as his own, and since 1904 has been located in South Easton in business for himself, being the present owner and proprietor of the Kleinhans greenhouses, and his father's successor. He now has 35,000 square feet under glass, devoted to the culture of popular flowers which are disposed of at retail, he making a specialty of cut flowers. He has other business interests, but his great love is for his greenhouse business, a love of the flowers he grows going hand in hand with the business side of a florist's life.

Mr. Kleinhans is independent in his political action and is a member of both the Jacksonian and McKinley clubs. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Loyal Order of Moose; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. His club is the Kiwanis. The Kleinhans greenhouses are located at Kleinhans and Folk streets in South Easton, the store for the sale of cut flowers at No. 15 North Third street, Easton.

**ANDREW A. NEAVE**—With a natural inclination for all things mechanical, and with a genius for invention, it needed but the practical training to insure a career of success for Andrew A. Neave, now vice-president and manager of the Treadwell Engineering Company of Easton, Pennsylvania. With training came advancement and the acquisition of solid business principles which placed him among the leading young manufacturers of the country. He is a son of John W. and Ellen (Phinn) Neave, of Dundee, Scotland; the father, an expert foundryman, came to the United States in 1808, was a foundry superintendent in Wilmington, Delaware, and was holding that position at the time of his death, 1916. John W. Neave married Ellen Phinn, and they were the parents of seven children: John P., Helen, Elisabeth, William W., Andrew A., of whom further; Charles J. and Ethel L.

Andrew A. Neave was born in New Castle, Delaware, September 1, 1878, and there obtained a good public school education, including the courses of the Manual Training School. He completed his school training at Wilmington Technical Institute, taking the night courses during a period of three years, becoming skilled in mechanical engineering. He then spent four years

in practical shopwork as a machinist in Wilmington manufacturing plants, after which he located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and there was engaged as a mechanical draughtsman at the Nesta Machine Company's plant, there remaining four years. From Pittsburgh he went to Canton, Ohio, having been appointed master mechanic of the United Steel Company of that place. He held the position of master mechanic one year, then returned to the Nesta Machine Company, and for two years was sales engineer, followed by four years as chief engineer of the rolling mill department of the same corporation. Those seven years with the Nesta Machine Company brought him to the year 1913, and to the city of Easton, he coming to that city as chief engineer of the Treadwell Engineering Company. In 1915 he was made acting manager of the plant, and in 1916 was elected a member of the board of directors, vice-president of the company, and manager of the works. Under Mr. Neave's management this highly efficient manufacturing plant has been of great value to the United States Government in its shipbuilding activities, the Treadwell plant having produced a vast amount of vitally essential material. The record of the plant in each of the four Liberty Loan drives has been 100 per cent.

While Mr. Neave stands high among the industrial leaders and is a skilled mechanic, he is active in social and civic affairs, taking a deep interest in community organizations and societies. He is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, the Rotary Club, the Engineers' Society of Pennsylvania, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, is affiliated with the Masonic order and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; his clubs, the Pomfret, Bethlehem and Northampton County Country. In politics he is an Independent. He enjoys the sports of the out-of-doors, is fond of boating, is an ardent fisherman and an enthusiastic motorist.

Mr. Neave married, December 25, 1905, Rosamond Chamberlain, daughter of Azro and Alvira (Stone) Chamberlain, of South Newbury, Vermont. Mr. and Mrs. Neave are the parents of four daughters: Helen Elizabeth, Marion C., Jeanette L. and Edith.

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**NOAH DIETRICH**—The Dietrichs of Pennsylvania spring from Wilhelm Emanuel Dietrich, born in Germany in 1680. He had five sons, Casper, Elias, Jacob, Johann and Philip, four of these coming to Pennsylvania and becoming heads of families. Casper, the eldest son, had three sons and a daughter, all of whom came to this country. Lancaster and Berks counties were the original localities in which the Dietrichs settled, and from there they branched out, making for themselves homes in surrounding counties, notably Northampton and Lehigh. The branch to which Noah Dietrich, of Easton, belongs, settled in Forks township, Pennsylvania, his father, Benjamin Dietrich, a farmer of that township. Benjamin Dietrich married Anna Maria Lerch, and they were the parents of several sons and daughters.

Noah Dietrich was born at the home farm in Forks township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, November 5, 1846. He grew up at the farm, and attended the district school. He then engaged in brick-making for ten years, 1868-78, becoming United States gauger in 1878, a position he held in the internal revenue service for twenty-four years. He is now, and has been for several years, sealer of weights and measures for Northampton county. During the Civil War he served in the One Hundred and Fifty-third Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and in the One Hundred and Ninety-sixth Regiment (Corn Exchange of Philadelphia). A Republican in politics, Mr. Dietrich served four years in Easton Select Council, and two years in Common Council. He is commander of Lafayette Post No. 217, Grand Army of the Republic, and served one term as commander of the Pennsylvania department of the Grand Army. He is a veteran member of the old Humane Engine Company of Easton's volunteer fire department, is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Loyal Order of Moose, his church membership, St. Peter's Lutheran, College Hill, Easton.







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Mr. Dietrich married, at Wilmington, Delaware, in 1868, Emily P. Chamberlain, now deceased, daughter of David and Catherine Chamberlain. Mr. and Mrs. Dietrich are the parents of six children: Kate C., Grace C., Edward N., Herbert D., Bessie and Russell D. Dietrich.

**VERY REV. JOHN DARAIO, D.D.** At the solemn and impressive dedicatory services, conducted by Bishop McCort, of Philadelphia, consecrating the new and beautiful Italian Catholic Church of St. Anthony of Padua in Easton, the bishop, in an address after the sermon, eulogized the work done by Father Daraio, the pastor of the church. He highly extolled the work performed by the pastor during the eighteen months in the parish, and expressed his complete surprise that he had been able to accomplish so much in so short a time, and bade the congregation not to forget that their pastor had done so much for them and for the cause of religion. To this eulogy of the ecclesiastic no exceptions can be taken, but the laymen viewing Father Daraio through secular eyes would give him equal credit for the work he has done in Easton, in educating the people in their duties as Americans and arousing their patriotism, and a sight long to be remembered in the city was a procession of two hundred members of the parish of St. Anthony of Padua, with Father Daraio at their head, marching to the polling places, September 12, 1918, to register and aid others in registering for selective service in obedience to the proclamation of President Wilson. The previous Sunday, Father Daraio preached forceful sermons at each Mass, impressing upon his congregation the importance of registering, and promising to meet them and to be at their disposal during the hours the polls were open. The large number who responded to the call was most gratifying to the authorities and to the good Father, whose heart is bound up in the temporal as well as the spiritual welfare of the people.

Father Daraio came from a militant family; his grandfather, John Daraio, a soldier in the Italian patriotic army with Garibaldi, and a great-uncle was with Napoleon in Russia, serving on that great commander's staff, with the rank of general. Others of the family, past and present, uphold the family name in war, while others have distinguished themselves in the gentler art of peace. In his own right, however, Father Daraio stands without need of family influence, being a man of highest culture, graceful powers of oratory, a learned theologian and an untiring worker. Returning to the patriotic work in Easton, it must be noticed that two hundred and sixty men have gone into the service of the United States and Italy from the parish of St. Anthony of Padua, much the largest representation sent by any Northampton county church. This must be attributed to the untiring patriotic efforts of the good Father in impressing the hundreds of Italians who are serving in the United States and Italian armies from Easton.

Dr. John Daraio was born in Tricarico, Italy, April 13, 1878, and there finished the course of study prescribed for the seminary. He then entered the University of Naples, whence he was graduated LL.D., and shortly afterward was ordained a priest. After the ordination in Naples, he went to Rome. He then went to Tricarico, where, by his bishop, he was appointed a professor in the seminary there, the same at which he had once been a student. For twelve years he continued as a professor in the seminary at Tricarico, teaching classes in Italian, Latin, history, geography and natural science. During that period he also exercised the functions of his priestly office and won high reputation as a pulpit orator and theologian. In Italy he preached in Rome, Naples, Genoa, Salerno, Pompeii, Taranto, Potenza, Reggio, Calabria and Siracusa, impressing his audiences deeply with his pleasing personality and scholarly attainments.

Dr. Daraio came to the parish of St. Anthony of Padua in October, 1914, having previously filled pulpits in New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia and

Washington, impressing his audiences with the same feeling as he had previously in his own land. St. Anthony's was formerly a mission, dating from 1909, in charge of Rev. A. Landolfi, who began the church structure, the cornerstone having been laid February 20, 1914. After his arrival, Father Daraio completed the church, which, with the rectory, involved an outlay of \$23,000. The church was dedicated on Sunday, June 18, 1916, Bishop McCort also confirming a class of two hundred and thirty the same day. Father Daraio, at ten o'clock Mass, preached a sermon in Italian. He outlined to his congregation the work that had been performed by their help, and after congratulating them upon their loyalty, urged the importance of their remaining faithful, assuring them that by so doing even greater things were possible for the future. During the week following the dedication of the church, Father Daraio received a vast number of letters exclusively congratulations and good wishes for the future; among these was one from the Rt. Rev. Bishop Bonzano, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, who had hoped to attend the dedicatory services.

Dr. Daraio is the founder of eight societies, six of them in his present parish, among them included: Confraternity of St. Anthony, Society for the Working Class, Circle of St. Louis, St. John, Holy Cross, Children of Mary and others. Outside his church, study and parochial work, Father Daraio is best known for his notable literary work, religious and scholastic. He is the author of: "History of Ancient Rome"; "Greece and the People of the Orient"; "Brief Course of Philosophy"; "The Significance of all Historical and Geographical Names of the Old and New Testament"; "St. Anthony, The Saint of the World"; "Life of St. Vitale and Bishop of Turri"; "Subsidiary Science of History"; "Chronology, Geography, Genealogy"; and nearly as many others, all of which have been published.

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**ASHER W. BRINKER**—Ulrich Brinker, the founder of this family in Pennsylvania, was born in Baden, Germany, and came to Pennsylvania with his wife, Apollonia (Beyer) Brinker. They were the parents of five sons, John George, Adam, John, John Jacob and Andrew, from whom come the various Brinker families of Northampton county, Pennsylvania.

Asher W. Brinker, a descendant, was born September 16, 1871, in Moorestown, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, fourteen miles northwest of Easton. He attended the public school until thirteen years of age, then became a wage earner. At the age of fifteen he was working for the farmers of the neighborhood, but later he became a factory worker, first in a rope walk, later in a shoe manufacturing plant, then for one year was employed at the Ingersoll plant in Easton. He then became proprietor of the Forest House, so continuing for nine years, selling out, then purchasing the Palmer House on Washington street, Easton, where he died July 1, 1915. He was a member of the Lutheran church of Farmersville, a Democrat in politics, member of the Jacksonian Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Palmer Fire Company.

Mr. Brinker married, January 16, 1891, Mary A. Ealer, born in Easton, at the home of her parents on Washington street, daughter of George and Susanna (Hohn) Ealer. George Ealer was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, son of a farmer, and himself a farmer and quarryman. He married Susanna Hohn, born in Palmer township, Northampton county, and soon afterward located in Easton, where he now lives retired. Mrs. Brinker is their only child. Mr. and Mrs. Brinker were the parents of a daughter, Nettie Mary Brinker, residing in Easton with her mother.

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**RICHARD FREMONT PASCOE**—As warden of the Northampton County Jail, Mr. Pascoe is compiling a wonderful record in the administration of his office in regard to the treatment of the inmates. One feature of



*Richard, F. Pascoe*





his administration is the out-of-door work he gives them at farm and other labor, this resulting in better health conditions and improved morale. Whatever the cause, it is a fact that no warden ever so won the confidence of his charges, and after release letters come from faraway points from many of the men who wish to keep in touch with their former warden, whom they regard as their friend. Kindness and justice have won him this affectionate respect, and the Northampton jail furnishes an object lesson to those interested in prison reform.

Mr. Pascoe is a son of Richard W. Pascoe, who was born in Cornwall, England, and there grew to manhood, becoming an expert miner. About 1846 he was sent to Scotland to open up a copper deposit, and there he remained as superintendent of the mine until 1849. He married, while in Scotland, Jessie MacDougall Campbell, and in 1849 came to the United States, attracted no doubt by the rose-tinted stories of gold discoveries in California. He did not go to the gold mines, however, but meeting some coal operators in New York City he was prevailed upon by them to locate at Pottsville, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, and act as mine foreman for the William Kaska Mine. There he remained for one year, then was sent by a group of New York capitalists to open up a copper mine on Michipicoten Island in the Lake Superior region. He successfully opened the mine and superintended its development, then returned to Pottsville. His next large operation was the opening of a zinc mine at Friedensville for Joseph Wharton, a well known iron master, and J. Price Wetherell, both Philadelphia capitalists. He continued superintendent of the zinc mine for several years, then accepted a commission from a syndicate to open up and operate a supposed gold deposit in South Carolina. This was in 1863, and while engaged in his work he was drafted into the Confederate Navy and stationed as a member of a gun crew on one of their war vessels. He served as a gunman until the close of the war in 1865, then returned North and was given his old position as superintendent of the Lehigh zinc mine at Friedensville. Later he located in Bethlehem and formed a connection with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, holding with that company until his death in 1887, and laying at final rest in Nisky Hill Cemetery at Bethlehem.

Richard W. Pascoe came alone to this country in 1849, but in 1850 sent for his wife, and until the southern experience she was the companion of all his moves. She was a Presbyterian in religion, he a Methodist, but creed never divided them. Her father, Col. Malcolm Campbell, was an officer in the British Army, serving in India and elsewhere. He was of ancient Scottish family. Jessie M. (Campbell) Pascoe died in Easton, Pennsylvania, November 17, 1905, the mother of nine children: 1. Archibald Campbell MacDougall, who died at the age of fifty-six years; married Pauline Rhinêhart. 2. John Henry, born in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1851, died in Allentown, Pennsylvania, in 1909; he was president of the Blue Ridge Powder Company; president of the Mahoning Foundry Facing Company, and a prominent business man of Allentown for many years; he married, in 1880, Annie L. Reinsmeth. 3. Mary, died young. 4. Sarah, died young. 5. Joseph W., of mention elsewhere in this work. 6. Richard Fremont, of further mention. 7. William, died in 1917 at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, aged fifty-seven years; he married Alice Cooper, of Coopersburg, Pennsylvania. 8. Thomas, died in boyhood. 9. Benjamin, died in boyhood.

Richard Fremont Pascoe was born in Friedensville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and there grew to manhood. He attended the public schools there, his first teacher, Adam Markle. At the age of sixteen he left school to become a wage-earner, although he had employed his vacation period prior to that time driving a cart in the mine. He worked in the mines for some time after leaving school, but later he spent two terms at the Kutztown State Normal School. He then again engaged in mine work, but later determined upon a trade and went to Reading, Pennsylvania, where he entered the

Scott Works Machine Shops and there learned the trade of machinist. At the end of four years apprenticeship he worked as a journeyman machinist in many of the States of the Union, serving in some shops as foreman. His last position as a machinist was with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company in their Easton shops. Later he was appointed special officer or railroad detective, and assigned to duty which compelled him to cover the entire Lehigh system. He continued in that position until April 1, 1916, when he resigned to accept appointment as warden of Northampton County Jail. In this position he has demonstrated remarkable fitness, and under his rule the jail is not a place of punishment but a reformatory institution where men are sent out to better ways of living. The small twenty-acre farm, which is leased by the county of Northampton, is utilized as part of the training system, and every day short-term men, and those whose terms are soon to expire, are to be seen at useful work and building up better bodies and cleaner minds.

From youth Mr. Pascoe has been actively interested in politics, and has the distinction of being the first Republican to fill the position of warden of the Northampton jail. He was elected a member of Easton Common Council from the Tenth Ward, and was the first Republican to carry that ward, which was considered the banner Democratic district of the county. He was continuously re-elected to Council until, when serving his fifth year, the city adopted the commission form of government, and the Council passed into the realm of ancient history. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Mr. Pascoe married, in Easton, August 3, 1910, Mary Naomi Archer, daughter of Thomas E. and Mary A. Archer, of Easton. Mr. Pascoe, now in the full prime of his manhood, is wholly devoted to the work he has taken upon himself, and is rounding out a life filled with useful effort, and during its varied phases he has acquired a rich fund of experience which has taught him how to best deal with those committed to his care.

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**BIRDIS I. SCHAFFER**—In South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the name Schaffer, is well known and honored. It first became prominent in that locality when Edward Schaffer, the pioneer undertaker of the town, out of all others in his section, was unafraid during the small-pox epidemic of 1872, and alone and without compensation buried three hundred and twenty victims of that then dread disease. Edward Schaffer came to South Bethlehem in 1865, and there died in 1905, but his memory will never die. He married Elizabeth Woodring, of Hellertown, Pennsylvania, sister of James T. Woodring, ex-district attorney of Northampton county. Mr. and Mrs. Schaffer were the parents of nine children, six of whom are living.

Birdis I. Schaffer, son of Edward and Elizabeth (Woodring) Schaffer, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, July 23, 1873, and was educated in the public schools. After completing his studies he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company in the telegraphic department. There he remained four years, and became an excellent operator. He next established a general insurance business in Bethlehem, and until May 19, 1915, conducted a very successful agency. On May 19, 1915, he was commissioned by Governor Brumbaugh, a justice of the peace. In the fall of the same year he was elected to the same position for a term of six years, and has since devoted himself to the duties of that office. Squire Schaffer is a Democrat in his political faith and a member of the Reformed church. He is affiliated with Bethlehem Lodge No. 191, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and is one of the interested, progressive men of Bethlehem, who bear their full share of the civic burden and kept "the home fires burning" by actively supporting every war authority.

He married August 5, 1905, in New York City, Ellen Rehrig, daughter of Jefferson and Rachel Rehrig, of Allentown. Mr. and Mrs. Schaffer are

the parents of five children: Gladys Henrietta, Paul Roosevelt, Mitchell Walter, Woodrow Wilson and Ruth Dorothy.

**FRANKLIN HENRY BRUNNER** Heinrich Brunner, born in Zinsville, Alsace, France, June 4, 1739, was the ancestor of Franklin Henry Brunner, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Alsace, then a province of France, was wrested from her by Germany in 1870 and has just been freed from German rule and occupied by allied armies (November, 1918) and will be legally restored to the French people. Heinrich Brunner came to Pennsylvania in August, 1749, and for a time lived in Bethlehem, going thence to Nazareth in Northampton county. He became a well known builder and continued in active business until his retirement a few years prior to his death, June 29, 1818. He married on Ascension Day, May 20, 1773, Rosina Hartmann, daughter of John George and Marie Christine (Baup) Hartmann, born in Salisbury, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and they were the parents of eight children. The third child and eldest son was Christian Brunner, grandfather of Franklin H. Brunner.

Christian Brunner was born in Gnadenenthal, near Nazareth, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 25, 1776. He married and left a son Samuel Brunner, born in Nazareth, June 10, 1807, who married Charlotte Amelia Rudolphi, daughter of Dr. John Frederick and Sophia Rudolphi. They were the parents of Christian Otto Brunner, born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, October 29, 1830, died September 7, 1911, the father of Franklin Henry Brunner. The Rudolphi ancestor, Dr. John Frederick Rudolphi, was the first medical missionary sent by the Moravian church to the East Indies, and in all these generations the family have been prominent in that sphere of life in which they moved.

Christian Otto Brunner, son of Samuel and Charlotte Amelia (Rudolphi) Brunner, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in the same house in which he died at the age of eighty years, ten months and nine days, on September 7, 1911. He first attended the Moravian Parochial School, then became a student under Ernest F. Bleck, who maintained a private school in Bethlehem for several years. After completing his studies he became clerk in the Taylor & Brock store, which later was owned by L. F. Beckel. In 1850 he went to Philadelphia, where he spent eighteen months as a salesman, holding two positions during that time. He then returned to Bethlehem and for the following five years was manager of the L. F. Beckel store. At about this time the production of anthracite coal was being taken seriously as a profitable business proposition, and "company" stores began to flourish. Mr. Brunner became manager of one of these "company" stores, and for a year was with Sharp, Weiss & Company, at Eckley, Pennsylvania, in that capacity. The next three years he spent in Bethlehem in the John Lerch store, then began his long and honorable term of service with the Bethlehem Iron Company, now the Bethlehem Steel Company.

In 1860, the Bethlehem Iron Company was organized, and under the management of John Fritz, attained to great heights of prosperity. From its beginning he was connected with the company in office position, and was the first official of the company. When ground was to be broken for the construction of the first furnace, John Fritz gave Brunner the honor of handling the pick which turned the first earth for what was destined to become the greatest steel works on earth, the Bethlehem Steel Company's plant at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He was a warm friend of John Fritz, and after both had retired from all active connection with the company, they kept up the very pretty custom of observing the day upon which they first met by calling in the morning and returning the call in the afternoon.

For forty-one years Mr. Brunner remained in the company employ, filling several subordinate positions until July, 1870, when he was elected treas-



urer of the company, a post he filled until retirement in 1901. This long term of service was recognized by a reception tendered him in July, 1901, by the officers of the company, a testimonial to his more than forty years of faithful service.

On March 28, 1847, he became a communicant of the Bethlehem congregation of the Moravian church by right of confirmation, and during the remainder of his life he was a member of that congregation and active in church work. For ten years he taught in the Sunday school, was a member of the church school board for twenty years, represented the church as delegate to the provincial synods, was a member of the board of elders, 1889-1909, member of the advisory finance board of the Northern province from 1898-1911; was for thirty years a director of the Society of the Propagation of the Gospel among the Heathen, 1881-1911; was treasurer of the Alaska Auxiliary Society from 1884, when the society was organized, until his death in 1911; was treasurer of the Young Men's Missionary Society, from 1846 to 1850; took an active interest in the Young Men's Christian Association, and in June, 1867, represented the society in the International Convention held in Montreal, Canada. From 1906 to 1911 he was treasurer of the Charity Organization Society; was a member of the Pennsylvania Historical Society; and for many years was vice-president of the Moravian Historical Society. Thus his life was passed, not an opportunity wasted, but every hour of his long life representing duty well performed. He retained all his faculties until the end, and just before he passed away he repeated these beautiful words from the "Book of Life": "Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like his."

Christian Otto Brunner married, August 9, 1859, Sabina Melinda Morgan, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, daughter of James Henry and Mary Magdalene (Kilker) Morgan. She died October 11, 1895, leaving a son, Franklin Henry, of further mention, and a daughter, Gertrude, wife of Albert Rau, of Bethlehem.

Franklin Henry Brunner, only son of Christian Otto and Sabina Melinda (Morgan) Brunner, was born October 8, 1860, in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and there prepared for college in Moravian Parochial, now Moravian Preparatory School. He then entered Lehigh University, and was a member of the class of 1880. He began business life in the Bethlehem Post Office and later was with the Bethlehem Steel Company, and for twenty-two years in the sales department of that company, ranking as assistant to the vice-president and manager of sales. In 1901 he resigned and was for a time with the Nazareth Foundry & Machine Company at Nazareth. From 1902 up to October 1, 1918, he was connected with the Guerber Engineering Company, and was secretary of that important corporation for twelve years. Mr. Brunner is at present occupied as manager of the Bethlehem agency of the Aetna Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut.

Mr. Brunner is a member of the board of trustees of the Moravian Seminary and College for Women, and is vice-president of the executive committee; auditor of the Moravian Congregation in Bethlehem; Moravian Preparatory School, and Moravian Poor Fund; vice-president of the Alaska Auxiliary Society; life member of the Moravian Historical Society, member of Phi Delta Theta; member of the Pennsylvania German Historical Society; life member of the Young Men's Missionary Society of Bethlehem; is sacristan in the Moravian Congregation; member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; and a member of the Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the advisory finance board of the Northern province of the Moravian church.

Mr. Brunner married Benigna Magdalene de Schweinitz, daughter of the Rt. Rev. Edmund de Schweinitz, a bishop of the Moravian church. Their one child, Rev. Edmund de Schweinitz, married Mary Vogler, daughter of





John Ringhoffer

Rev. William H. Vogler, a minister of the Moravian church. They are the parents of two sons: Edwin de Schweinitz, and Wilford.

**FRANKLIN SUTTON**—Born in the neighboring county of Bucks, Mr. Sutton has been a resident of Hellertown, Pennsylvania, since his ninth year, and on January 1, 1918, was chosen chief burgess of the borough. He had previously been postmaster of Hellertown for a term of ten years, and he was the first postmaster of that borough to receive his appointment from the president. Franklin is a son of Isaac Sutton, born in Springtown, New Jersey, September 1, 1842, a furnace-maker all his active years, but now retired. He is a veteran of the Civil War, in which he served from Bull Run to Appomattox with Company A, One Hundred and Seventy-ninth Regiment, New York Highlanders, and was honorably discharged and mustered out at the end of the war, in 1865. It is said that Jacob Sutton, brother of Isaac, also a Union soldier, fired the last shot of the Civil War, and a leading New York newspaper investigated the story and wrote it up. Isaac Sutton married Mary Sherrer, born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, in September, 1865, and in September, 1915, they celebrated the golden anniversary of their wedding day. They are now, January, 1919, residing in Hellertown, Pennsylvania, the parents of eleven children, seven of whom are living.

Franklin Sutton was born in Durham, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, December 25, 1868, and there spent the first nine years of his life. The family then moved to Hellertown, Northampton county, where he finished grammar school courses in the public schools. After leaving school he was clerk in a grocery store for some time, then for three years was employed in an iron works. He then learned the barber's trade, and in 1904 began business in Hellertown under his own name. From that year until the present (1919) he has continued in successful business, and his is the leading shop of the borough. For ten years, 1904 to 1914, he was postmaster of Hellertown, and in January, 1918, he took his seat as chief burgess of the borough. He is one of the leading men of the town, and his popularity is based upon a lifetime of upright, honorable living in the community which has thus honored him. In politics he is a Republican. His barber shop, at No. 518 Main street, is one of the finest appointed concerns of a place this size in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Sutton married, January 1, 1895, Margaret Lambert, daughter of Ely and Lena (Marqued) Lambert, of Northampton. Mr. and Mrs. Sutton are the parents of two children: Marian, born December 18, 1895, a graduate of Hellertown High School; Russel F., born January 5, 1898, a graduate of Hellertown High School, Bethlehem Preparatory School, and is now a student at Lafayette College, class of 1921.

**JOHN RINGHOFFER**—When John Ringhoffer, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, first left his native Austria-Hungary in 1891, it was not to North, but to South America that he sailed, and in that country he lost all his possessions and barely escaped with his life, coming as near being pronounced dead and hurried to cremation as was possible, and yet be saved. Brazil was then in a lawless, unsettled condition politically, and there was no redress for him through the process of law, but he was told that he could take the law into his own hands and either kill the parties who had drugged and robbed him, or be killed by them. He took the wiser course and left the country, returning to Germany. Three years after his first emigration he came to the United States, settled in Bethlehem, and there now resides, a prosperous dealer in real estate, his specialty, the purchase, improvement and sale of city property. He brought little to this country except his family, but by industry and thrift has won a substantial success.



John Ringhoffer was born in Austria-Hungary, May 6, 1857, son of Jacob and Anna (Swheger) Ringhoffer, his father a farmer of German blood, his mother of French parentage. He grew to manhood in his native land, there married, and in 1881, with his wife, daughter Mary, and other children emigrated to Brazil, South America, arriving first in Rio Janeiro, the capital, then went inland to Province Rio, granted Desol, Prolagua and Shohwere, but owing to the unsettled condition of the country at that time, there was little opportunity for business activity; neither was life or property safe. They did not understand the language, and altogether had such trying experiences that Mr. Ringhoffer decided to leave the country. He made his way to the coast, Rio Janeiro, and when they arrived, his family remained on board. Mr. Ringhoffer went into the city to purchase a ticket for the next steamer, to return to his native country. In the city of Rio Janeiro he was lured into a saloon, although not a drinking man, and was persuaded to drink something mild. That something was heavily drugged, and in that condition he was first robbed and then left. When found he was taken to a hospital, pronounced dead, and an order given to have the body at once prepared for cremation, that being the prevalent method of disposing of the dead in that city. Fearing they were moving too hastily, six hours' postponement of the cremation was ordered, and before that time had expired a German came in, and, recognizing a countryman, aided in reviving Mr. Ringhoffer and restoring him to his family. In the meantime Mrs. Ringhoffer had done all in her power, even to holding the ship for two days, while search was being made for her husband. When reunited, the family remained in the city, and he took a position, which he was offered by the government, and worked until he had enough money to return home. Owing to the unhealthy climate, they buried three children in a short time. They returned to their former home *via* Africa, Italy and Belgium, then overland to their home.

In 1894, Mr. Ringhoffer again became an emigrant, this time seeking a new home in the United States and locating in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. There he remained five years in the employ of the Bethlehem Iron Company, then moved to Passaic, New Jersey, where he resided two years, then returned to South Bethlehem, which has since been his home. From the time of his return from New Jersey until 1906 he was employed in Mill No. 2 of the Bethlehem Steel plant, at good wages, from which he accumulated sufficient capital to purchase the old Mease farm and retire from the mill. For two years he cultivated the farm, then sold it, the property now being owned by the street car company and used by that corporation for the site of car barns, residence lots and University Park. From the farm Mr. Ringhoffer moved with his family to the property he had purchased and improved at the corner of North and Railroad streets. From that time he has made real estate operating his sole business, and has been very successful. He has bought with good judgment, and invariably his investments have been realized upon at a good profit. He is well known and respected in his community, and is highly regarded as an authority on real estate values.

Mr. Ringhoffer married, in Austria-Hungary, January 25, 1881, Maria Felenbeak, born in Nanas-Wessbrin, a town of Hungary in Wessbrin county, her birthplace near that of her husband. Mrs. Ringhoffer was the daughter of S. John and Anna Felenbeak, natives of Wessbrin county, a central county of Hungary, rich in coin and cattle. She died in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, January 18, 1909, the mother of fourteen children, among whom were: 1. Mary, born in Austria-Hungary, and when six years of age was taken to Brazil by her parents, and remembers well the trials and hardships of life in that country and of the return journey to Hungary. She was brought by them again to South Bethlehem, where she married and had three children: Catherine, Johannes and Joseph, these children bearing the name Ringhoffer, the marriage not proving a happy one. The mother had

also resumed her maiden name, and is her father's housekeeper. Also the capable proprietor of a grocery at No. 84 East Fourth street, South Bethlehem, also the family home. She is a woman of good business ability, a hard worker and a devoted daughter. 2. John, married Anna Berkett. 3. Anna, married Joseph Olexa. 4. George, unmarried. Nine children died in infancy, and Stephen died while the family was in Brazil. All are members of the Roman Catholic church.

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**IRWIN P. RICHARDS**—Coming from an old English family long seated in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, Irwin P. Richards, the present sheriff of that county, has reviewed an interest in the name which has been borne by men of eminence in many walks of life. Irwin P. is a grandson of Joseph and Mary (Miller) Richards, he a grandson of the English founder of the family in this country. Joseph Richards was a farmer of Williams township, Northampton county, one of the substantial agriculturists of the township, and a devoted member of the Lutheran church. He married Mary Miller, and they were the parents of eleven children: Mary, Elizabeth, Susan, William, of further mention; John, Joseph, Charles, Jacob, Aaron, Henry, and a child who died young.

William Richards, son of Joseph and Mary (Miller) Richards, was born in Williams township, and spent his life in Northampton county, dying in 1881, aged sixty-three years. For thirty-three years he was the proprietor of the Black Horse Tavern, located three miles south of Easton, on the Delaware river, a popular resort for Eastonians. He was a radical Republican, a member of the Lutheran church, and active in politics. He married Mary E. Moyer, who died in 1905, aged seventy-eight years, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Yellis) Moyer. They were the parents of four sons and a daughter: Franklin, Charles, Joseph, Irwin, of further mention, and Annie.

Irwin P. Richards, fourth and youngest son of William and Mary E. (Moyer) Richards, was born in Williams township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, June 9, 1864, and there obtained his early education. He later attended Trach's pay school in Easton. He conducted a livery business in Easton for thirty years, continuing until March, 1917; has had the contract for carrying the United States mails in Easton since 1913, and all his mature years has been a popular auctioneer, crying sales in city and country, far and near, a business which he still retains. In November, 1915, he was elected sheriff of Northampton county, an office he yet most efficiently fills at the present time (1918).

Sheriff Richards is a Republican in politics, a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Fraternal Order of Eagles; the Loyal Order of Moose; the Improved Order of Red Men; United Order of American Mechanics; and the Order of Equinus. All his life he has been interested and active in politics, one of the strong men of the party, faithful in times of stress and storm, as well as when the skies were bright. For eighteen years he was in the hotel business in Easton, and as an auctioneer he has a wide reputation. He possesses a pleasing personality, makes friends easily and is very popular. He married, March 27, 1884, Allavesta Seifert, daughter of Levi and Emma D. (Keifer) Seifert. Mr. and Mrs. Richards are members of the Lutheran church, their home No. 51 South Fifth street.

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**CLINTON HENRY SNYDER**—At Seemsville, a post village of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in Allen township, Clinton Henry Snyder has conducted a general store for the past quarter of a century, being one of the well known and successful merchants of his section of the country. His entire life has been spent in Allen township, his birth occurring in that part now known as East Allen township. Prior to embarking in commercial life,

he was a teacher in the public school, his teaching experience covering twenty-five terms. He was as successful as a teacher as he has been in business, and was one of the highly esteemed pedagogues of the district.

Clinton Henry Snyder is a son of Peter Snyder, an old settler of Allen township, in that part known as East Allen, he then owning and cultivating a farm of one hundred and forty acres. He was also a well known stockman, and conducted business very successfully until his death, just in the prime of life, aged forty-four years. He married Susanna Spangler, of Allen township, and they were the parents of four sons and four daughters, two of these children yet living: Susanna, wife of Thomas E. Koch, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; and Clinton Henry, of further mention.

Clinton Henry Snyder was born at the East Allen township homestead, March 9, 1847, and here lived until his fourth year, when the death of his father caused his mother to remove with her children to another part of the township. Clinton H. Snyder attended public school, and early in life learned the shoemaker's trade, but he craved further educational training and through his own efforts he accomplished a course at Schwartze Academy, Bethlehem, followed by study at Pennsylvania State Normal School at Kutztown. After being licensed to teach, he secured and taught the Allen township school for two terms, then for twenty-three terms taught in East Allen township school. He continued teaching until 1893, then bought out a mercantile business at Seemsville in the same township, and has since continuously conducted a general store until the present, a period of twenty-five years. Seemsville is but a small village, but is an important trading point, and with the various stock handled Mr. Snyder has a business of large volume, groceries, dry-goods, hardware, shoes and furnishings all being standard lines in which he deals. In 1916 he erected his present store building, planning it from his experience and ideas of what a country store should be. In addition to being the leading store of the section, it is also the post office, Mr. Snyder having been postmaster for several years. He is a good business man, upright and energetic, holding his word as a bond and mindful of every obligation of good citizenship. Mr. Snyder is a Democrat in politics, is a member of the Reformed church, and for twenty years has been leader of the choir of St. Peter's Church at Seemsville, and is a teacher of the Sunday school. For nine years he was auditor of the township, and in all things is one of the men who can always be relied upon to "lend a hand." His fraternal order is the Fraternal Order of American Mechanics.

Mr. Snyder married, in 1877, Emma C., daughter of John Koch. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder are the parents of two children: Clara Susanna, married Palmer E. Hess; and Howard Calvin, died young.

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**RAYMOND WARREN RAPP**--Raymond Warren Rapp, one of the most successful and progressive business men of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where he is engaged in the business of manufacturing ice-cream, is a native of Bursonville, Bucks county, in this State. He is a son of George Jerome and Martha E. (Kohl) Rapp, being the only child born of this union. The Kohl family resided for many years in Bucks county, and came originally to this region from Germany. An uncle of Mr. Rapp, Thomas Rapp, lost his life at the battle of Gettysburg, and his maternal great-grandfather, Jacob Zigafoos, served in the Revolution. The early childhood of Mr. Rapp was spent at his native place, and later he attended the public school of Bethlehem, and graduated from the high school with the class of 1907. After the death of his father, his mother married a second time, Mr. John S. Ruth, who was engaged in the business of ice-cream manufacturing in Bethlehem for eighteen years. Thus it happened that young Mr. Rapp received an early training in the establishment of his stepfather and learned all the details of this line of business. In the year 1914, upon the death of his stepfather, he







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engaged in the same business on his own account, at first on a very small scale. However, from the outset his success was assured, and his establishment grew rapidly in size, increasing to such an extent that it was necessary for him to build his present building to afford it adequate quarters. This building is a handsome brick structure, two stories in height, measuring 40 by 50 feet in plan, and was completed in May, 1915. It is fully equipped with all the latest and most modern machinery for the production of ice-cream and has an output at the present time of over one hundred thousand gallons per year. The demand for Mr. Rapp's cream is increasing continually to such an extent that he is practically doubling his business every year.

Mr. Rapp is a man typical of the best type of our citizenship, progressive and capable, and quick to seize every opportunity that offers itself. He feels keenly his responsibility to the community which patronizes him, and produces only the highest grade of goods for its consumption. Sanitation is a byword with him. Mr. Rapp uses four trucks; two one-half-ton and two one-ton trucks in the handling of his large business. Mr. Rapp is very active in the general life of the community and is prominently associated with many important movements undertaken for the welfare of the community-at-large. He is an Independent in politics, but does not take a very active part in political life. In his religious belief he is a member of the Reformed church, and he is also affiliated with other important organizations, including the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Order of Patriotic Americans, and the Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers of Pennsylvania.

Raymond Warren Rapp was united in marriage, March 11, 1911, with Ruth M. Quier, a daughter of Allan and Sarah (Allan) Quier, old and highly respected residents of North Bethlehem, where the former is still actively engaged in business and is in charge of the Bethlehem Steel tool room. Mr. and Mrs. Rapp are the parents of one daughter, Gweneldene Natalia, born March 26, 1914.

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**CHARLES DANIEL FRIEBELY**—Charles Daniel Friebely, one of the most energetic and successful business men of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and an influential citizen here, is a native of Douglasville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where his birth occurred June 30, 1878. He is a great-grandson of Jacob Friebele, who came from Baden, Germany, in 1828, and settled in Pike county, in this State. His son, Christian Friebele, was a carpenter by trade, and became a well known figure in his adopted community. His son, Daniel William Friebely, father of Charles Daniel Friebely, was born at Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, April 28, 1853, and established himself at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in the insurance business in 1893. He was possessed of great business ability and developed a large business here. He became a justice of the peace, an office which he held up to the time of his death, which occurred April 14, 1898. He married, at Douglasville, Ellen Catherine Hoch, born in Moore township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, March 29, 1856, who now lives in South Bethlehem. They were the parents of three children, all of whom are now living, as follows: 1. Harry E., the proprietor of a drug store on Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, married Marguerite Huffman, by whom he has had three children: Howard, Richard and John. 2. Charles Daniel, with whose career we are here especially concerned. 3. Mary Matilda, who became the wife of George Fox, civil engineer.

Charles Daniel Friebely spent but the first few years of his life at his native town of Douglasville, the family then removing to Bushkill Center, Northampton county, when he was about six years of age. He first attended school at Jacobsburg, two miles from Bushkill Center. In 1887, however, the family came to South Bethlehem, and here he continued his education,

attending the public schools of this city until he had reached the age of fourteen. He then abandoned his studies and learned the trade of printer, being employed by the Moravian Publishing Company for three years. After completing his apprenticeship he followed his trade of printer for two years at Allentown, and then for one year at Philadelphia. In 1897 he returned to Bethlehem, where he was employed by his father in the latter's insurance business up to the time of the elder man's death. Since then Mr. Friebely has conducted the business on his own account and, under his skillful and careful management, it has developed until it is one of the most important of its kind hereabouts. Mr. Friebely is a staunch Democrat in politics, and is keenly interested both in local and general issues, but his business calls for so much of his time and attention that he has never cared to enter politics actively. He is a prominent figure in social and fraternal circles here, and is especially active in the Masonic order, being a member of H. Stanley Goodman Lodge No. 648, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; Ezra Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bethlehem Council No. 36, Royal and Select Masters; Bethlehem Commandery No. 90, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and the Caldwell Consistory, Sovereign Princes of the Royal Secret, in which he has taken the thirty-second degree in Free Masonry. He is also a member and a past commander of Damascus Commandery No. 50, Ancient and Illustrious Order Knights of Malta; past grand of Wreath of Friendship Lodge No. 917, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; a member of Ontario Tribe No. 280, Improved Order of Red Men; Hobah Lodge No. 267, Knights of Pythias; banker of South Bethlehem Camp No. 6940, Modern Woodmen of America; member of University Camp G. F., and the Shrine Club. Mr. Friebely is a Lutheran in religious belief and is a member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church of this place. He has been very active in church work here, and has been a teacher in the Sunday school for seventeen years. Mr. Friebely is particularly fond of music, and has sung for about five years in the famous Lehigh University Choir conducted by Dr. Wolle, in the Packer Memorial Church at Lehigh University, taking part in the Bach festivals several times, which have been given there for so many years. He is also keenly interested in the subject of postage stamps.

Charles Daniel Friebely was united in marriage, November 12, 1901, at Coftectown, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, with Anna May Huff, a native of New Jersey, and a daughter of Matthias S. and Mary (Nicholas) Huff, the former deceased, his death occurring August 30, 1913, and the latter now residing at Riegelsville. To Mr. and Mrs. Friebely the following children were born: Carl Daniel, July 4, 1903, now a student in the Bethlehem High School, and a member of the class of 1921; John Huff, August 23, 1904, died August 5, 1913.

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**S. MORTON ZULICK**—One of Easton's successful business men, Mr. Zulick, can review the past with satisfaction and approach the future with confidence. His success has been built upon the soundest of business principles, and he is a leader among the public-spirited, progressive business men of his city. He is a son of Charles B. and Susan (Arnold) Zulick, and a grandson of Anthony Zulick, the first music dealer in Easton, a gifted musician and church organist. His store was located on Northampton street, where he built up a good business and did much to advance musical culture among the people. He married Jane Cummings, who came with him from Germany to Philadelphia and hence to Easton, and they were the parents of eight children who grew to adult years, namely: Thomas C., a one-time general superintendent of the Reading Coal and Navigation Company; Samuel N., a physician and veteran of the Civil War; William, connected with a bank in Philadelphia; Anna; Henry; Charles B., of further mention; C. Meyer, two terms governor of Arizona; Mary, married Thomas Rinek.

Charles B. Zulick succeeded his father in the music and book store which he conducted until 1877. He then became general agent for the Philadelphia & Reading Coal Company. He served two terms in the Pennsylvania Legislature, and was prominent in city affairs. He married Susan, daughter of William and Mary Arnold, and they were the parents of twelve children: Carrie, Ida, Annie, Mamie, S. Morton, of further mention; Thomas C., a physician of Easton; Jennie; William; James, deceased; Charles, Adams, twin with Charles; and Susan.

S. Morton Zulick was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, September 25, 1866. He was educated in the public schools. He began his business career in 1883, while yet a schoolboy, by working as a clerk in the store of his uncle, Thomas Rinek, one of the founders of the Rinek Cordage Company. After graduation he continued in that employ, continuing until 1897, when under the firm name, S. M. Zulick, he succeeded to the business of the wholesale and retail selling department of J. Rinek Sons. Mr. Zulick does a large business as a wholesale and retail dealer of cordage of many kinds, and sporting goods, and as wholesale distributors of the Plymouth Cordage Company products, which covers a wide field. It is one of the largest and oldest of cordage companies in the United States, and one of the few devoted exclusively to manufacturing cordage of the highest quality. Mr. Zulick is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, Easton Rotary Club, is a Democrat, and a member of the First Reformed Church, the church of his forefathers for two generations, the chimes in the church tower being the gift of the Zulicks. Mr. Zulick is a patron of all out-of-door sports, and personally is fond of fishing, hunting and motoring. He is deeply interested in civic affairs, and is one of the strong, reliable men of his city, willing at all times to aid in any forward movement.

Mr. Zulick married, April 17, 1901, May B. Godley, daughter of Edwin G. Godley.

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**CHARLES H. BUENNING** Under fifty thousand square feet of glass, Mr. Buening grows the many varieties of plants which he distributes to his retail trade, and the brilliantly hued cut flowers which are freshly delivered to his store in Easton at the corner of Centre square. This business, now so prosperous, was begun in 1902 by Mr. Buening with less than one-half that area under glass, his establishment at No. 1900 Lehigh street, Easton, now being one of the interesting sights of that section of the city. He is a son of Henry and Dora (Scheer) Buening, of the province of Schleswig-Holstein, then a part of Denmark, but later taken by Germany, his father still living, his mother deceased.

Charles H. Buening was born in Schleswig-Holstein, February 4, 1872, there was educated, and there became a florist. In 1890 he came to the United States, and until 1894 was employed in New York city in different places, adding to his store of knowledge and becoming familiar with American ways. In 1894 he removed to Easton, and the following year began in a small way the growing of flowers and vegetables for the Easton market. He grew with his opportunities, added little by little to the area of the gardens and greenhouses, until, in 1902, he established his present greenhouses at No. 1900 Lehigh street, twenty thousand square feet then being put under glass. He has continually expanded until his present large business, as grower and dealer, has resulted. He also operates a fifty-acre farm with peach orchards, lying between Easton and Bethlehem, which he owns, as he does two blocks of city lots in Wilson township, adjoining Easton, and his home on Lehigh street, which he built in 1902. He has prospered abundantly and may attribute his success solely to his own skill as a florist, his industry and well proven business ability.

He has taken the degrees of the Masonic order in both the York and



Scottish Rites up to and including the thirty-second, his affiliations being with Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council No. 20, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Reading, Pennsylvania; and Caldwell Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rites of Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. Other orders to which he belongs are the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Pennsylvania; Vanderveer Lodge No. 105, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the War Gardens Club, the Rotary Club, and Zion's Lutheran Church, of which he is a member of the governing council.

Mr. Buenning married, March 10, 1895, Augusta L., daughter of William and Augusta Schlasinger. They are the parents of four children: Minna, Henry, Herman and Carl. Henry and Herman were both with the American Army, Herman being trained at Camp Lafayette, Easton, where he was one of the team of baseball, and Henry, trained at Pittsburgh University, with rank of corporal.

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**ASHTON FAMILY**—The first of the Ashtons, or Ashetons, was Orme Fitz Edward, who settled at Ashton-under-Lyne, in Lancashire, England, in the early days of the Plantaganets, some time about 1150. His great-great-grandson was Sir Robert de Assheton, vice-chamberlain of Edward III, and after the great English victories of Crecy and Poitiers he was made warden of the Cinques Portes, and admiral of the narrow seas. His great-great-grandson was Sir Ralph Assheton, knight baronet, lieutenant of the Tower of London under Edward IV, and vice-constable of England. He married Margarey Barton, of Middleton, from whom his heirs derived great estates. His sons were Richard, who inherited his father's baronetcy in Lancashire, which is now extinct, and Ralph. The family which Ralph established is now among the landed gentry of Lancashire. Its estate is Downham Hall, near Chitteroe, twenty-eight miles from Manchester.

It is quite clear that the various connections of the Ashtons in this country are offshoots of this great Lancashire family. Early in the history of Virginia the Ashtons had found their place, though the records are scanty and it is hard to tell what was the relation between the various settlers of the name. There was a Col. Peter Ashton, a Burgess of Charles City county, Virginia, in 1650. Three years later he received two thousand acres in Westmoreland county. His estate on the Potomac he called Chatterton. There was an estate named Chatterton in the Ashton family of Lancashire acquired by marriage in 1455. This fact practically establishes Peter's connection with the main branch. He willed his estate to his brother James, of Kirby Underwood, County Lincoln, and to his brother John he gave two thousand acres adjoining Chatterton. These two brothers probably came to this country, although they were in England at that time. Peter Ashton was an associate of John Washington, the emigrant and founder of the family of George Washington.

One Charles Ashton was living in Northumberland county, Virginia, as early as 1660. He was a justice of the peace and captain of militia, and probably close kin to Col. Peter Ashton. He married Isabella, and had a son named John.

John Ashton, son of Charles Ashton, married Grace Meese, and they had two sons: Henry and Charles.

Henry Ashton, son of John Ashton, was a colonel, a justice and a Burgess. He married (first) Elizabeth Hardidge, and (second) Mary Watts. His son by his second wife was Henry, who married, in 1748, Jane Alexander. They had Henry Alexander, a colonel, who married Mary Dent, and Henry A. and Mary had Henry, of whom further; George; and Elizabeth, who married John H. Peyton.





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Henry Ashton, son of Henry A. and Mary (Dent) Ashton, was an officer in the War of 1812. He married Cecelia Brown Key. At the time of his death in 1834, he was a marshal in the Supreme Court. He had eight daughters and one son, Henry, who died at the age of twenty-one in the United States Army. He did not marry. The eight daughters married with the Bibbs of Kentucky, the Walkers, the Mills family, the Stuarts of Virginia, the Ramseys of North Carolina, and the Todds and Dents of Maryland. The eighth daughter, Cecelia, died in a nunnery.

Charles Ashton, son of John Ashton, of Northumberland county, Virginia, and brother of Henry Ashton, the colonel, justice and burgess, married (first) a Miss Burdett and (second) a Miss Hart. He had a son Charles, who married and had Burdett, John and Laurence. Burdett lived in Chestnut Hill, King George county, Virginia. He married Ann, daughter of Augustine Washington, and had Charles, Augustine Washington, Burdett, and two daughters. Burdett's brother, John, of Lebanon, Westmoreland county, Virginia, married (first) Mary Watts and (second) Hannah West. He had one daughter, Sarah, who married Henry Washington, and one son, Laurence, who married Elizabeth Scott, and settled in Farquier county. This Mrs. Laurence (Scott) Ashton was "noted for her intelligence, beauty, vivacity, wit, courtly manners and dignity."

Massachusetts also had its Ashtons. Samuel Ashton lived in Marblehead in 1698. He married Mary Saudin in that year and had Ephraim, born in 1700, Samuel, and two daughters. Ephraim was a fisherman and schoolmaster, and married Sarah Waldron. His children were Sam, a fisherman and mariner, who married Sarah Laskey; Ephraim, a fisherman, who married Deliverance ———; and John, who went to Beverly and married Sarah Green. John and Sarah (Green) Ashton, of Beverly, had John, William Green, Betsey and Sally Green.

Philadelphia was the American home of a goodly number of the early Ashtons whose connection with the Lancashire family is quite obvious. Jonathan Assheton, of Philadelphia, was in fact born at Ashton-under-Lyne. He died in Philadelphia in 1727. In 1683 he came to that city, where he was clerk of Christ Church. He married Hannah ———, and had Isaac, of Philadelphia. Isaac had a son William, born in 1732, who married (first) Marion Catherine Easterly, and had George, lieutenant of the Ninth Company of Artillery of the Regiment of Philadelphia, a clergyman and professor of chemistry. By his second wife, Sarah (Keen) Ashton, he had Samuel Keen Ashton, of Philadelphia, who married Caroline Malinda Smiley.

Jonathan Ashton had a cousin, Robert Ashton, who came from Shipley county, Lancashire. He was a lawyer and the son of William Ashton, an attorney-at-law and coroner of the county of Lancaster. William Ashton's wife was named Frances, and she was kin to William Penn, who was instrumental in getting the Pennsylvania Ashtons to come to America.

Robert Ashton was the recorder of the Colony. His first wife, whom he brought from England, was Margaret ———, and after her death he married, at Christ Church, Jane Elizabeth Falconier. They had William, who died in 1723, a prominent man in the State. William Ashton married Elizabeth Merring from the Barbadoes, and had William, a lawyer. Robert, the recorder, had two other sons besides William—Robert and Ralph—who, with their brother, established the family throughout Pennsylvania. The Ashtons in Pennsylvania have intermarried with the following families: Baker, Gayoso de Lemos (governor of Louisiana) Parrott, Pannill, Wikoff, Claxton, Potts, Gardiner, Yocum and Humphreys.

The arms of the family, which are borne with little variation by all of the name, are: *Argent, a mullet sable pierced of the field.*

**WALTER H. ASHTON**—The modern mortuary establishment now conducted by Walter H. Ashton at No. 31 North Fourth street, Easton, is



founded upon the business which William Keller began in 1847. A great portion of the period the business has been in the Ashton name, Mr. Keller being succeeded by his son-in-law, Frank Ashton, who in turn was succeeded by his brother, E. Harris Ashton, and at his death in October, 1909, Walter H. Ashton became the owner and proprietor. Ashton's Undertaking Establishment, as now conducted, is provided with every modern aid to the proper care of the dead, and for the dignified observance of the last rites which can be paid them. If desired, services may be held in the large parlor attached, and every detail of funeral direction is properly attended to. Mr. Ashton has recently bought property in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, at No. 19 West Broad street, at which a similar establishment has been opened, rivaling Ashtons of Easton in its appointments and conveniences.

Mr. Ashton is a son of Eli and Catherine (Duffield) Ashton of Philadelphia, and a descendant of an old Eastern Pennsylvania family. The Duffield family was founded in Pennsylvania by Benjamin Duffield, an Englishman, who came over with William Penn. He married a daughter of William Watts, and they were the parents of thirteen children from whom sprang the Duffields of Pennsylvania. Catherine (Duffield) Ashton, mother of Walter H. Ashton, was a daughter of Jesse Duffield, a descendant of Benjamin Duffield.

Walter H. Ashton was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1874, and educated in the public schools of that city and of Easton, Pennsylvania, he becoming a resident of the latter city when a lad of fourteen years. After completing his studies he was variously employed, finally becoming an undertaker, and thoroughly mastering the many details of that business, including embalming and modern methods of caring for the dead. He started in business for himself in Riegelsville, Pennsylvania, in 1906, and there continued until the death of his brother, E. H. Ashton, in 1909, when he returned to Easton and succeeded to the ownership of Ashton's Undertaking Establishment. In 1915, Mr. Ashton purchased the present site of the establishment, No. 31 North Fourth street, and removed to his new quarters the same year, after a thorough refitting and alteration to bring it to the point of perfection he desired as a modernly complete mortuary establishment. He is the leader among funeral directors, and is highly esteemed as a citizen of worth.

Mr. Ashton is widely connected with the fraternal life of his city, being affiliated with Prosperity Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Riegelsville, Pennsylvania; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar, all of Easton; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Junior Order of American Mechanics; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; all of Easton. His clubs are the Pomfret, Rotary and Kiwanis, his church affiliations with Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church.

On April 29, 1897, Mr. Ashton married Anna, daughter of Jacob and Sarah Seipel, and they are the parents of seven children: Catherine, Walter H., Jr., Frederick, Earle, Frank and Henry Scott. A daughter Margaret is deceased.

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**MARK C. DEVLIN**—Mark C. Devlin, well regarded and identified with the industrial and public affairs of the city of Bethlehem since early manhood, has been justice of the peace for six years, and has become active among the leaders of the Democratic party of that city and district. He is a native of Bethlehem, born April 6, 1879, the son of Alexander and Mary (McCann) Devlin. Alexander Devlin, who was born in County Antrim, Ireland, in 1846, came to America when only fourteen years of age, and is now one of the oldest living citizens of Bethlehem. His long life has been a vigorous one, given almost wholly to steady industrious occupations at the

Bethlehem Steel Works; he began as a water boy, and is now enjoying a pension awarded him by the Bethlehem Steel Company because of his long and faithful service. He is still hale and hearty, the natural outcome of a steady life, honest daily toil and good habits. His wife, Mary McCann, was of Irish descent, but was born in this country, at Freemansburg, Pennsylvania. Her decease occurred in May of 1917, at Bethlehem, when she was then sixty years of age. She was a good mother, and she bore to her husband five children, all of whom are living. They are: 1. Kate, who was married to James McCreedy, an active and prosperous business man of Bethlehem; they have two children, John and Mary. 2. Alexander, who is constable of the Fifth Ward; he married Mary Hanly, of Bethlehem, and they have two children. 3. Charles, who is a chemist in the employ of the United States Government. 4. Gerald, who during the war has been identified with the United States Army as inspector. 5. Mark C., the subject of this article.

Mark C. Devlin was educated in the public schools of Bethlehem, and having there received a good foundation in general academic knowledge, he decided to follow his father and become a wage-earner without further delay. He entered the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company, learning the trade of machinist. As such he was associated with the Bethlehem Steel Company for sixteen years.

He had, however, always been actively interested in politics, at least in furthering the policies of the Democratic party, and being by nature a likable man and good comrade, with an abundance of common sense and a logical forcible way of expressing his opinions, he grew in the respect of his fellow workers and the residents in general of his locality, and he was preferred by them for many offices in civic and political affairs. He was twice elected to the Democratic committee of the Fifth Ward; for six years he served on the Board of Health of the city of Bethlehem; and for a like period was a member of the Democratic executive committee. His popularity has been further evidenced by his elections to the office of justice of the peace. He was first elected in 1913, and has been re-elected, so that his commission does not expire until 1922.

Fraternally, Mr. Devlin is affiliated with the Loyal Order of Moose, and is a member of the Bethlehem Lodge No. 535. In religious associations he is a devout and steady supporter of the Catholic church, and is active in its observances. And he takes much interest in the affairs of the Holy Name Society.

On November 4, 1901, at the Church of Holy Infancy, Mr. Devlin was married to Mary Agnes, daughter of Dennis and Annie (Sweeney) Reagan, of Bethlehem. Mrs. Devlin's father, though sixty-two years of age, is still in almost constant work at the Bethlehem Steel Company; her mother died in October, 1901. Mr. Reagan for fourteen years was janitor of a Bethlehem school, a post held by election. Five children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Mark C. Devlin. They are: James, who was born on March 5, 1903, at Philipsburg, Pennsylvania, and still attending school in Bethlehem; Anna, born January 19, 1905; Gerald, who was born June 5, 1907; Rose, who was born on January 10, 1912; and Mark, born May 26, 1914. The four last-named were all born in Bethlehem.

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**JAMES McCLELLAND HENTHORN**—When a lad of twelve years of age, James M. Henthorn was taken by his parents from his native State, Wisconsin, to the State of Iowa, but after attaining legal age he came East and after a few months in Boston, Massachusetts, came to Easton, Pennsylvania, where, in 1903, he established the confectionery business with which his name has since been connected. He is a grandson of John Henthorn, and a son of James Henthorn, the latter born in Ohio in 1842, died February

29, 1916, a farmer all his active years. He married Nancy Abel, who died February 6, 1916, the mother of ten children, of whom James M. was the fourth.

James M. Henthorn was born in Richland county, Wisconsin, July 4, 1864, and there lived until 1876, when his parents moved to Butler county, Iowa. There he remained until 1885, acquiring his education in the excellent public schools for which Iowa is noted, and working for the farmers of the neighborhood when not employed at home. For a part of that period, however, he was in the employ of an uncle, a nurseryman of Kearney, Nebraska. He continued in the West until 1894, then came to Boston, Massachusetts, where he spent six months, and afterwards located in Easton, Pennsylvania. Here he entered the employ of the Miller Furniture Store, and until 1903 was continuously in that line of business. He then established a lunch business. He still conducts the lunch business, and has conducted the refreshment concessions for the past ten or twelve years at Island Park. In 1911 he opened up in confectionery, wholesale and retail, his jobbing business at one time being considerable. His place is located at No. 356 Northampton street. He has been very successful as a business man. For several years he has been president of the Easton Merchants' Ice Company, and has other interests of importance. He is a member of Easton Board of Trade, and the Rotary Club; a Democrat of independent tendencies, and a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. His fraternal orders are the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Woodmen of the World.

Mr. Henthorn married, February 15, 1886, Emma C., daughter of Owen and Margaret (Kurtz) Gower, of Wisconsin, formerly of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Henthorn was one of the organizers, and is treasurer of the Easton branch of Mothers of 1917, also a member of the Red Cross. They are the parents of three children: Margaret, married Calvin Yonson, of Easton, and has daughters, Evelyn and Irma; Roy Evarts, now his father's business associate, married Anna Wagner, and has children, Elwood, James and Marian; James R., a soldier of the United States, served in Company H, Fifty-first Regiment of Artillery, with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. He was transferred to the Fifty-seventh, has been accorded three chevrons and a gold star, and served in the Verdun, St. Mihiel and other activities.

**J. WILSON HARRISON**—Only child of Edgar and Cora (Wilson) Harrison, and grandson of Jacob and Alice (Armstrong) Wilson, J. Wilson Harrison comes from old Phillipsburg and Easton families now owner and proprietor of the foundry and iron business known as the Jacob Wilson Estate. Edgar Harrison was born in Phillipsburg, and with his wife, Cora (Wilson) Harrison, resides in Easton.

J. Wilson Harrison was born in Easton, at the family home in Bushkill street, May 25, 1894. He passed all grades of the public schools, finishing with high school graduation, class of 1912. The two following years were spent at Lafayette College in special study in chemistry, after which he became manager of the estate left by his grandfather, Jacob Wilson, who died in Easton in 1906. Jacob Wilson founded his business in Easton nearly half a century ago; at first he made nothing but stoves at his foundry, but later did a general foundry jobbing business including castings of all kinds. Since Mr. Harrison has been in charge he has doubled his capacity of the plant, and during the progress of the war with Germany filled many government contracts and has his plant well equipped to handle a large business. In politics Mr. Harrison is a Republican, and in religious faith is affiliated with the First Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; the McKinley Club, and Chi Phi fraternity.

Mr. Harrison married, in Wilmington, Delaware, October 25, 1911, Lena Simmers, of Easton, daughter of Ellsworth J. and Carrie Simmers.







*R. F. Michael*

**ROBERT FRANKLIN MICHAEL**—The founder of this family in the United States came from Germany when a young man and settled in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there married a Miss Kreidler, of his own race. They were the parents of fourteen children, one of whom, William C. Michael, was the father of Robert F. Michael, a leading citizen of South Easton, Pennsylvania. Grandfather Michael was a weaver by trade, and reared his large family to habits of industry and thrift equalling his own. William C. Michael was born at the homestead near Bath in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, August 24, 1849, and there attended public school for a few winter terms. He was but a small boy when he began working for neighboring farmers during the summer months. After his marriage to Amelia Sandt, of Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Joseph and Margaret (Felker) Sandt, he established a home in Plainfield township and there long resided. His first wife died in December, 1899, and he married (second) a widow, Mrs. Shug, and now resides in Easton. Children, all by first marriage: Robert Franklin, of further mention; Edgar, residing at home; Floyd; Annie, married Fletcher Blaizer, now a sergeant in the United States Army, was in training at Camp Dix.

Robert Franklin Michael, eldest of the children of William C. and Amelia (Sandt) Michael, was born in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 19, 1873. His boyhood was largely passed in what is now the Eighth Ward of the city of Easton, and there he attended public school until twelve years of age. He then became self-supporting, his first position being in the Simon Silk Mill, where he began at a wage of \$3 weekly, which was soon increased to \$4. There he remained three years, his wages going to his parents. He then began learning the carriage painter's trade with Albright & Company, their place of business then being at the corner of Fourth and Church streets. He served an apprenticeship of three years, then in September, 1893, at the close of the third year, he was laid off. He at once sought other employment, and until June, 1894, was a clerk with the grocery house, Taylor & Son. He then returned to the painting trade, being employed at engine shops of the Lehigh Valley railroad, in Easton. After fourteen years with the Lehigh, a favorable opportunity presented itself, and he entered another and far different field of activity. This change was effected by his purchase of the grocery business of the heirs of Irwine Brotymeen, a business which was established about 1880 by Brotymeen & Mutchler. That business Mr. Michael restored to a profitable basis and has successfully conducted it until the present. The store is located in Wilkes-Barre street, South Easton, at the corner of Iron, and there Mr. Michael has won a large and liberal patronage, dealing fairly with all and meeting the known wishes of his patrons so far as is humanly possible. He is a good business man, sound in judgment, and agreeable in his personality. He is a member of the Lutheran church, of which he is deacon, and further serves the congregation as chorister of the Sunday school. Like his father, he is a Democrat in politics, and for four years was a member of the Board of Education. He assisted in winding up the affairs of the city when going under the new commission form of government, and has always been loyal in citizenship. He is a member of Columbia Lodge No. 139, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council No. 20, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading, Pennsylvania; Easton Forest No. 35, Tall Cedars of Lebanon; and Tatamy Council No. 159, Senior Order United American Mechanics, in which he is senior mechanic.

Mr. Michael married, November 18, 1897, the bride's brother, Rev. William E. Roney performing the ceremony, Sarah A. Roney, born in Easton,

May 30, 1868, daughter of Joseph and Rebecca (Weaver) Roney, and sister of John Roney, whose career is traced elsewhere in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Michael, with their family, reside in the old Roney homestead, No. 912 Berwick street. They are the parents of two sons: Joseph, a timekeeper at the Reddington Fuse Plant, and Stanley William, in his first year at high school.

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**RICHARD S. HAHN**—For several years Mr. Hahn has been engaged in business in Easton as a tin and sheet iron worker, his present place of business, No. 236 Church street. He is a descendant of Philip Peter Hahn, who came from Germany in search of religious freedom. He settled in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, then became a prosperous farmer and head of a large family. He was a devout member of the German Reformed church, and founder of that faith in Plainfield township. Richard S. Hahn is a grandson of Richard Hahn, a farmer and wheelwright of Plainfield township, who there spent his entire life of seventy-five years. He married Sophia Bender, of the same township, and they were the parents of Alfred Hahn, father of Richard S. Hahn.

Alfred Hahn was born in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there spent his years, sixty-two, a farmer. He married Lucy A. McCannon, daughter of Samuel McCannon, a farmer and carpenter of Upper Mount Bethel township, who was one of the progressive, prosperous men of his day. Mrs. Lucy A. Hahn survives her husband, and is a resident of Easton, aged seventy-four years. Alfred and Lucy A. (McCannon) Hahn were the parents of three children: Richard S., of further mention; Frederick, married Minnie Achenbach, and resides in Bangor; and Robert C., who died at the age of sixteen years.

Richard S. Hahn, eldest child of Alfred and Lucy A. (McCannon) Hahn, was born in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 11, 1874, his birthplace, the Bruder farm, inherited through his maternal grandmother. He was educated in the public schools, his first teacher a young man, Ascher Sandt. He attended school and worked at the home farm until 1892, then began learning the tinner's trade, and that of a sheet iron worker as well. His employers were Stolz Brothers, of Easton, Pennsylvania, and after his years of apprenticeship were over he remained with them as journeyman until twelve years had been spent in their employ. In 1904 he began business under his own name, and as R. S. Hahn, tin and sheet iron worker, No. 236 Church street, conducts a prosperous business. Mr. Hahn is an elder of Grace Reformed Church, and a member of the Men's Bible Class of the church. He is affiliated with Lehigh Lodge No. 244, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Easton Lodge, Patriotic Order Sons of America; his political faith Democratic.

Mr. Hahn married, in Easton, December 25, 1898, Ida Siegfried, daughter of Zachariah and Lydia (Meyers) Siegfried. They are the parents of five children: Lucy, a high school student; Samuel S., also in high school; Richard F., Herman A. and Alfred Z.

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**J. PAUL FELVER**—One of Easton's attractive and prosperous businesses is located at No. 36 North Third street, and is the continuation and modern development of the bakery established at No. 167 Northampton street, in 1889, by William S. Felver, now retired, father of J. Paul Felver, now owner and proprietor of Felver's Business House, No. 36 North Third street. The old business was a bakery and delicatessen store presided over by the elder Felver and his capable wife, Matilda, to whom much of the success of the business must be ascribed. With the retirement of the father, his son, J. Paul, became manager, and after the removal to the present location, the business lost its distinctive character, and is now a general business house with its old-time features supplemented by a soda fountain, candy and



cigar departments and tea room, all most attractively arranged for the comfort and convenience of the patrons of the store, and without doubt the most elaborate and attractive place in Easton. He is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, and of the Kiwanis Club.

William S. Felver, the founder of the business, in addition to being a baker, was familiar with the business methods, and now, after a lifetime of honorable effort is living a retired life in Easton. He married Matilda Paul, born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, who died in Easton, in December, 1917, a most capable business woman and true helpmeet. Both were members of the First Presbyterian Church, where Mr. Felver still continues the connection.

J. Paul Felver was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, May 21, 1885. He attended the Easton Academy, prepared at Lawrenceville School in New Jersey, and completed his education at Lafayette College, class of 1909. For three years after leaving college he was engaged in theatrical ventures, then in 1912, associated himself in business with his father, and became his successor. He is a man of great energy, progressive and quick to grasp his opportunities. Felver's Business House is an excellent example of modern business methods, and there Mr. Felver is demonstrating a fine business quality which will carry him far.

J. Paul Felver married, January 14, 1913, Caroline Stanley, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and they are the parents of two children: Lela Hazel and Charles Stanley Felver.

The maternal grandparents of Mr. Felver were William and Hannah (Heckman) Paul. William Paul was a miller by trade and the son of a miller. He built and operated the old mill at Mount Bethel, in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, having previously operated a mill in Easton.

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**CHARLES CARSON SCHIRNER**—In part of the territory now included in the city of Easton, grandfather Schirner roamed as a boy, his home on the hill now occupied by the public library. He came from Germany when a boy and in 1817 settled in that part of Easton on the Delaware river road locally known as Schirnertown. He kept a grocery for several years at the corner of Sixth and Northampton streets, Easton, his life closing in 1870 at the age of seventy-two. His wife died in 1860. His son, Dr. John C. F. Schirner, was born in Easton, at the home in Schirnertown, on the Delaware river road, and was educated in the Vanderveer School. He studied medicine under Dr. Field, later entered the University of Pennsylvania, medical department, whence he was graduated M.D. He specialized in surgery, and after graduation located in Tamaqua, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, 1850, where he died in 1893, aged sixty-seven years. There were no hospitals near Tamaqua in those days, and he was obliged to act in surgical cases so frequently that he became famous as a most skillful surgeon. He married Ann M. Seip, of Durham township, Bucks county, daughter of William and Anna Seip. They were the parents of eight children.

Charles Carson Schirner, son of Dr. John C. F. and Anna M. (Seip) Schirner, was born in Tamaqua, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, September 28, 1854, and was there educated in the public schools. After leaving school he chose the trade of pattern-maker as his life work, and after serving a long apprenticeship, went to Philadelphia where he spent ten years engaged at his trade. He then spent three years at Phoenixville as foreman of the pattern-making department of the Phoenix Bridge Company, remaining until after his marriage in 1895. He then moved to Easton, entering the employ of the Ingersoll-Rand Company as assistant foreman. He soon gave up that position to return to pattern-making as a journeyman. Later he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company as pattern-maker, there winning the reputation of being the most skillful man at his trade who had



ever been employed in that department of the shops. During the past four years, 1914-1918, Mr. Schirner has been engaged in the management of his own private real estate holdings in Easton, among which the Schirner building is one of the most important. He erected that building at the corner of Sixth and Northampton streets in 1913-1914, with basement and first floor stores, with three stories arranged according to the modern system of tenement houses. He is an Independent in politics, and a man of high reputation as a citizen.

Mr. Schirner married in Tamaqua, May 17, 1876, Anna M. Alspach, daughter of Philip Alspach. Mr. and Mrs. Schirner are the parents of three children: Clarence, married Miss Schwan, and resides in Easton; Clifford R., married Miss Wright, and resides in Hellertown; Charles C. F., married, and resides in Phillipsburg, New Jersey. Three children, Guy P., Roy and John, are deceased.

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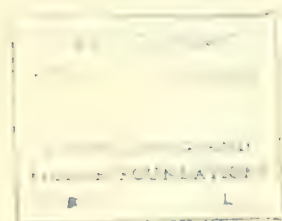
**EUGENE ABRAHAM RAU**—The drug business located in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, from which Eugene A. Rau has recently retired, is one of the oldest establishments in the State. The record of this business dates to 1743, when John Frederick Otto, a physician, came from Saxe-Meiningen, Germany, and in 1745 he opened the first apothecary establishment in Bethlehem, which was under the control of the Moravian church. The location of the store was in the old Moravian Bell House until 1752, then the business was moved to a new stone building on Main street, next to the Moravian church, where it remained until 1845. In that year a new drug store was erected by Simon Rau, on a site directly north of the old stone building. In 1863, the stone building and the adjoining store, built by Simon Rau, were razed to make room for a residence and store, respectively, as shown by the way they stand in the present day. Thus it can be truthfully stated that the original apothecary of Bethlehem has been in the same location since 1752. Dr. Otto first conducted the business from 1745 to 1764; his brother, Dr. John Matthew Otto, from 1764 to 1786; from 1786 to 1790, Dr. Timothy Horsfield; from 1790 to 1839, Dr. Eberhart Freytag, and it was in 1796 that Dr. Freytag purchased the drug store, stock and buildings from the Moravian church; and in April, 1839, Simon Rau, who had been assistant for nine years, became owner of the business by purchase.

For a number of years, Simon Rau conducted the business alone before any other drug stores existed in Bethlehem, and he won the confidence of his townsmen and the surrounding country to a remarkable degree. In 1866 he admitted to a partnership his brother, David Rau, who was with his brother seventeen years as a clerk. At the same time David's son, Robert Rau, also was admitted, and the business then took the name it has borne for more than half a century, Simon Rau & Company. Robert Rau was not only a skilled druggist, but was also a musician of high order, who both arranged and composed music. He was gifted with a fine tenor voice, and was a member of the musical organizations of the Moravian church. His literary pursuits have left various valuable papers which have been read before the Moravian Historical Society, Pennsylvania Historical Society, Pennsylvania German Society, and he was one of the founders of the Bethlehem Club. He had a very affable disposition, and in his business relations made many friends.

In 1865, Eugene A. Rau, the last of the name to retain his connection with the business, and son of Simon Rau, entered the store, but not until 1870 was he admitted to a partnership. David Rau died in 1879, and ten years later, in 1889, Simon Rau retired. Robert and Eugene A. Rau, cousins, continued the business, and after the death of Robert Rau, in 1906, Eugene A. Rau continued the business with Charles N. Lochman, until April 1, 1913, when Eugene A. Rau retired from the firm, and his stock interest was pur-



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chased by Frank P. Miller, the old name being retained, a name it has borne since 1866, a period of fifty-three years. Robert Rau, Eugene A. Rau, Charles N. Lochman and Frank P. Miller are all graduates of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, and all worked as clerks in the store prior to becoming partners. They were not only skilled pharmacists, but were also good business men, and the store has always enjoyed a very high reputation. The Rau interest is now extinguished after a period of eighty-three years. Simon Rau entered as a clerk in 1830, as proprietor in 1839. David and Robert Rau became partners in 1866. Eugene A. Rau became a partner in 1870, and the last of the name continued in the firm until April 1, 1913.

Such, in brief, is the history of the oldest drug business in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and one in which most of the life story of Eugene A. Rau is interwoven. Under the old regime many preparations were made and sold in the store, which the busy pharmacist of today buys direct from the wholesaler or manufacturer, and many other changes could be noted, for the modern drug store is a very different institution from the drug store of twenty-five years ago. The business is a monument to Simon Rau, his son, brother and nephew, and in all Pennsylvania it is not likely that there exists a business with such an interesting family attached thereto.

Eugene Abraham Rau was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1848, and has ever made that city his home. He is a son of Simon and Lucy Ann (Luckenbach) Rau, both deceased, his father, in addition to having been the first and leading druggist in Bethlehem, was also a citizen of high repute, serving as councilman and as treasurer of a number of societies of the Moravian church. Eugene A. Rau was educated in the Moravian Parochial School, early became associated with his honored father, and after graduation from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy became his partner, and after a connection of forty-eight years, retired, April 1, 1913. While the drug business has been the principal work of his life and all else was subordinated to it for so many years, Mr. Rau has acquired other interests, and he is a learned botanist, well known for his work in connection with the flora of Northampton county. He is a member of a number of scientific societies, including the American Association for the Advancement of Sciences, New York Academy of Sciences, Torrey Botanical Club, Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences, and Sullivant Moss Society. He is secretary of the board of trustees of the Moravian Seminary and the College for Women, also treasurer of the Alumni Association Endowment Fund of that institution; a vice-president of the Free Library of Bethlehem; member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; member of the Moravian Historical Society; and of the Northampton County Historical Society; treasurer of one of the Moravian church societies, and also treasurer of the Bethlehem branch of the Dickens Fellowship. He is also a leading member of the Moravian church. In connection with his scientific and botanical research, Mr. Rau has prepared a number of papers and notices, the following being a partial list of subjects treated, and places of their publications: "Catalogue of North American Musci," Eugene A. Rau, A. B. Hervey, Taunton, Massachusetts, 1880, p. 52, octavo; "Additions to the Habitats of North American Sphagna," Botanical Gazette, IX-X, 26; "Helonias Bullata in Northern New Jersey," Botanical Gazette, IX-X, 113; "List of Musci and Hepaticae Collected in Southern Colorado," by T. S. Brandegee, determined by E. A. Rau, Department of Interior, Washington, District of Columbia, June 6, 1876; "Revised and Augmented List of Sphagna, Musci and Hepaticae of New Jersey," final report of State Geologist, New Jersey, Vol. II, 1880; "Notes on the Flora of Northampton County, Pennsylvania," Torreys, Vol. XII, December, 1912.

Eugene A. Rau married, April 3, 1888, Matilda Sophia Klose, daughter of John Gottlieb and Maria (Spence) Klose, both now deceased. Since retir-

ing from business in 1913, Mr. Rau has devoted himself to his botanical studies; his library and floriculture form the greatest enjoyment of his retired life. He is a man of strong character and learning, very companionable and friendly, and he is highly esteemed by a very large circle of friends.

**CURTIS ATWOOD DAVIES**—While the Pennsylvania State constabulary cannot compete in age nor tradition with the Northwest mounted police of Canada, it is an organization built up along the same lines, and since its comparatively recent organization has compiled a record of efficiency, courage, daring and personal merit equal to that of the older organization. From that body, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, secured Curtis Atwood Davies, now superintendent of the police department of the city and special agent for the United States Department of Justice. He is a native son of Pennsylvania, and as an officer of the law has won high and honorable standing. He is a son of Isaiah and Susan (Frederick) Davies, his father a merchant and respected citizen of Shamokin, Pennsylvania, his mother a daughter of Samuel Frederick, of Shamokin, a veteran of the Civil War.

Curtis Atwood Davies was born in Shamokin, Pennsylvania, October 26, 1884, and there completed grade and high school courses of study. In 1899 his spirit of adventure led him to enlist in the United States regular army, and for six years he wore the uniform of a soldier of the United States, serving in the Philippines, in China, and in Cuba, or wherever enemies of his country challenged. He received wounds during the march on Jolo in the Province of Panay, Southern Philippines, again at Illocos Norte, Northwestern Luzon, in the Philippines, and at Laguna de Bay, a lake, the most beautiful in the southern part of Northern Luzon. In 1905 he was honorably discharged from the United States Army, and soon afterward he returned to Pennsylvania, rich in experience, and with his love of adventure thoroughly satisfied. From 1905 to 1907 he was in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad as fireman, and during 1908 was with the Pressed Steel Car Company, as a special officer. The Pennsylvania State constabulary then made a strong appeal to his adventurous disposition, which had now begun to again assert itself, and, possessing at least one of the chief requisites for admission to that very select body of men, an honorable discharge from the United States Army, he applied for appointment. Upon close scrutiny he was found not lacking in any particular, and from 1908 until 1918 he was connected with the State police in charge of detective work. A history of the Pennsylvania State police force will some day be written in full, and therein will appear a record devotion to duty even unto death, which has never been surpassed by any body of men. Mr. Davies' record is a fine one, and these ten years constitute a period of hard and exhaustive work, done not for applause or gain, but because duty demanded that he give the State his very best. Among the captures he made were the Barnes brothers, Theodore Cohn, the platinum thief at the Bethlehem Steel Works, a case Mr. Davies went on at the personal request of Charles M. Schwab, and many, many others.

After ten years of brilliant service on the State police force, Mr. Davies resigned to accept the position of superintendent of police of Bethlehem, an appointment made by Mayor Johnson, January 7, 1918. In his new position he has met the expectation of his friends, and is creating a record of efficiency in office which is well worthy of emulation by others entrusted with public duty. While with the State police he acted as special agent for the government, and in his present position he also is closely identified with the United States Department of Justice as special agent for Bethlehem and vicinity. He is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Shamokin, Pennsylvania, and is a Republican in politics.

Superintendent Davies married, in 1910, at Pottsville, Mabel Agnes Kurtz, daughter of Frank and Agnes (Smith) Kurtz. Mrs. Davies is a graduate

of the Pottsville High School, and has specialized in music. Both Mr. and Mrs. Davies are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. They are the parents of a daughter, Dorothy Godcharles, born April 7, 1911.

**CHARLES M. LUDWIG**—For forty-five years Charles M. Ludwig was identified with the Phillipsburg National Bank, beginning as messenger and reaching the cashier's desk as assistant cashier. His military service was with the Army of the Potomac for nine months, and under a second enlistment as a volunteer during the period of General Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania, under Capt. Jacob Hay. He is now retired from business cares, the house in which he is living also the place of his birth. He is a son of Samuel Ludwig, and a grandson of John Ludwig and his wife, Elizabeth (Dingler) Ludwig. For many years John Ludwig was toll taker and tender at the Northampton street bridge, across the Delaware, connecting Easton with Phillipsburg. They were the parents of six children: Samuel, of further mention; Henry, Frank, Henrietta, Mary and Angelina.

Samuel Ludwig was born in Easton, February 10, 1816, and there died, October 3, 1849. He obtained a good education, and after school years were ended learned the carriage builder's trade and conducted business in a plant which he erected at the corner of Fourth and Church streets, there continuing until his death. He married Ebejena Schmeeitzer, born June 15, 1818, in Easton, and there died April 27, 1895. Both were members of St. John's Lutheran Church, Mrs. Ludwig a very active church worker, especially interested in infant class work. Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig left children, the only survivor being Charles M., the principal figure of this review.

Charles M. Ludwig was born in the home in which he now resides, No. 43 South Fifth street, Easton, May 4, 1842. He was educated in the public school, and was one of the first pupils to enter Easton High School. His first teacher in high school was Mr. Potter. After high school he spent a year at Gettysburg College, then pursued a commercial course in a Philadelphia business college, and obtained a position. War soon broke out between the North and South, and on August 11, 1862, he enlisted in Capt. Herbert Thomas's company, Col. Jacob Frick's One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was engaged at the second battle of Bull Run, Antietam and Fredericksburg, returning to Easton when his nine months' term of enlistment expired. When General Lee invaded Pennsylvania in 1863, Mr. Ludwig enlisted for three months' service in Capt. Jacob Hay's company, but was out but six weeks. He then returned home, and shortly afterward began his long connection with the Phillipsburg National Bank. He continued in the service of the bank for forty-five years, receiving several promotions, and in 1909 retired, holding the position of assistant cashier. Mr. Ludwig is a Republican in politics, a member of the First Reformed Church, and a member of Lafayette Post, Grand Army of the Republic. He served one term on the School Board of Easton.

Mr. Ludwig married, in Easton, October 21, 1880, Virginia E. Siegert, born November 22, 1840, died in Easton, October 20, 1903. Mrs. Ludwig was a member of the First Reformed Church and active in the work of her church.

**WILLIAM C. LAZARUS**—The progenitor of the Lazarus family originally settled in Northampton county, near Schoenersville, three miles north of Bethlehem. With the arrival of Martin, Peter and Jacob Lazarus in America, November 30, 1750, the American record of the branch of the family begins. They left their German home, sailing on the ship *Sandwich*, August 30, 1750, and were nearly four months enroute. Martin Lazarus was the first known settler in Dryland, now known as Hanover township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, near Schoenersville, where he began farming on what is known



as the Lazarus homestead, approximately three hundred acres of land. In the same year he learned of the arrival of Christina Reichard, who also left her German home and landed in Philadelphia, and they married shortly after her arrival, and were the parents of six children, namely: Fredrick, Leonard, George, Elizabeth Shaffer, Daniel and Martin, Jr. George spent his life with his brother Daniel and his nephew George, and followed the blacksmith trade at the old homestead. The life work of Martin Lazarus was farming at Salisbury, near South Bethlehem, and he was buried in the Salisbury Church Cemetery.

Daniel Lazarus, son of Martin and Christina (Reichard) Lazarus, was born at the old homestead, April 10, 1768, and died November 5, 1857. His life work was farming, he being the owner of the old homestead; he divided it into two farms, and erected the original buildings. He was a Lutheran in religious belief, and a member of the Schoenersville Lutheran Church, which he served faithfully as an officer. He married Elizabeth Paul, born April 18, 1776, and died February 14, 1833; they were the parents of: Peter, who settled in Michigan; David, who made his home in Ohio; Jacob, who settled in Allentown; Elizabeth, married Elias Houseknecht, settled in Ohio; Christina, married a member of the Schmoyer family; Daniel, Jr., married a Miss Fox, and with her is buried in Kansas; Maria, married William Herbst; Joseph, married a Miss Miller; Thomas, became the owner of one of the divided farms, and married Anna Maria Balliet; and George, of whom further.

George Lazarus, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Paul) Lazarus, was born November 1, 1799, and died June 3, 1883. His calling was that of farmer, which he followed on the homestead. He was a Republican in politics, held the offices of school director and assessor of Hanover township, and in religious faith was a Lutheran, serving the Schoenerville congregation as deacon, elder and trustee. He married Elizabeth Miller, daughter of Henry and Barbara Miller, and they were the parents of: 1. Henry D., of whom further. 2. Reuben D., born March 17, 1838; became the owner of the Lazarus homestead; married Belinda Scholl, and had two children: John and Edward. 3. Rev. George M., born May 26, 1839, died January 31, 1874, as the result of an accident; married Amanda Dech, and had four sons: Rev. Jacob W.; Newton, deceased; Dr. George M., and Rev. Luther D.; the eldest and youngest followed their father's footsteps in the Lutheran ministry. 4. William M., born October 23, 1841; married Amanda Shuler, and had sons: Harry, Calvin, Morris and Howard. 5. Elizabeth, married Reuben Lerch, and had children: William, Emma and Ida.

Henry D. Lazarus, son of George and Elizabeth (Miller) Lazarus, was born October 18, 1835. He married Sarah R., daughter of John and Julianne (Albright) Laubach, granddaughter of Leonard and Mary (Thomas) Laubach, and a direct descendant of Rheinhart Laubach, pioneer of Lower Saucon, and a founder of one of the county's most numerous and prominent families. Leonard Laubach was born on the old Saucon homestead, April 10, 1776, and followed farming, one mile west of Rittersville, along the Lehigh canal. In religious faith they were Reformed, and members of the Rittersville Reformed Church, and are buried in the cemetery adjoining the church. His son John was born January 1, 1804, and died May 1, 1856, the result of injuries suffered during the building of the old Lehigh canal. He also followed farming on his father's homestead. Sarah R. (Laubach) Lazarus died June 11, 1886. Children of Henry D. and Sarah R. (Laubach) Lazarus: 1. Albert, married Sarah R. Rother, and their child, Eva, married Dallas Semmel, principal of one of the Catasauqua schools. 2. Bertha E., married Frank Wisser, and upon her death was survived by three children: Samuel, Anna, now deceased, and Sallie. 3. William C., of whom further. 4. Franklin G. (q.v.). 5. Victor L., married Kate M. Bleiler, and had children: Edna, married Warren Szweifle, Lillian, Elmer, and Howard, deceased. 6. Aquila M.,





Arnon P. Miller

married Eugene Bleiler, and had children: Charles, Erwin, Helen, Florence, Ralph and Clyde, deceased.

William C. Lazarus, son of Henry D. and Sarah R. (Laubach) Lazarus, was born in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, January 11, 1863. He attended the common schools, passing his youthful years on his father's farm, and in 1880, a youth of seventeen years, began learning the harness-maker's trade at Beersville, Northampton county. He moved to Bethlehem in 1883, associating with Adam Brinker in the harness and leather goods business, and subsequently became a partner in the firm of Adam Brinker & Company. In 1918 he withdrew from this firm and established in independent dealing at No. 339 Broadway, Bethlehem, where he has since continued one of the city's successful and prosperous merchants. He has found time from his personal affairs for participation and leadership in the activities of the various business organizations of the city, and was one of the originators, a director, and for some years vice-president of the Business Men's Association of Bethlehem. For thirty-three years he has been interested in the Industrial Building & Loan Association, has been a director for thirty years, and for the past fifteen years has been its president, having previously served in the vice-president's office. He is a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, and aided in the organization of the Commercial Real Estate Association and the closing up of its affairs after a number of houses had been built in Bethlehem. A citizen and merchant of standing, he has been numbered among Bethlehem's progressive citizens in civic affairs and has borne a part in the various movements that have been productive of good to the city, including the consolidation of the boroughs and the great hill-to-hill bridge project. Like long generations of his ancestors, Mr. Lazarus is a Lutheran in religious faith, and has served St. Mark's Church as deacon, trustee and elder, the last-named his present church office. His fraternal affiliations are with the Masonic order, in which he holds the thirty-second degree, the Knights of Pythias, having served in all its chairs during the thirty-three years of his membership; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Knights of Malta. His identification with all circles of the city's life, business, civic, religious and fraternal, has found him zealous for its welfare and diligent service, and he is highly regarded by his associates of trade, of the church, and of the lodge room.

Mr. Lazarus married, September 20, 1900, Jennie E. Knappenberger, daughter of George and Amanda L. (Lacey) Knappenberger. They are the parents of one son, William C., Jr., born September 17, 1902, who was educated in the Moravian Preparatory School and the Bethlehem Business College, and is now associated with his father's business.

**ARNON PERMIN MILLER**—In numerous fields of activity members of the family of Miller, of which Arnon P. Miller is a present-day representative, have been well known and have held respected position in Northampton county. This locality has been the scene of the business career of Mr. Miller, vice-president of the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company, of Bethlehem, and an official of numerous other corporations operating in varied lines in the region. He is a son of William Frederick Miller, and grandson of Abraham Miller, founder of the line of Saucon township, Northampton county. William Frederick Miller was born in that township in February, 1832, and died in March, 1892. His wife was Diana Catherine Reichard, whose family had long been resident in the neighborhood of Schoenersville.

Arnon P. Miller was born in Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, November 7, 1895, and removed to Bethlehem (South) in infancy. He attended the public schools, being graduated in the class of 1880 from high school, and then completed three and one-half years of the electrical engineering course at Lehigh University. Just before graduation he left college to become private secretary to Elisha Packer Wilbur, then president of the Lehigh Valley railroad,



and for twelve years was associated with Mr. Wilbur in this connection. At the end of this period he began his present identification with the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company as secretary of the company. His election as second vice-president followed, and in 1911 he took up his present duties as first vice-president. His position in financial circles is an influential one. He was one of the organizers and the first vice-chairman of the Bethlehem Bankers' Association, an organization formed to facilitate the handling of government securities throughout the war and continued, when that need had passed, as a means of co-ordinating and stabilizing the city's financial affairs. Among his other important business interests are his responsibilities as secretary and treasurer of the Bethlehem City Water Company, president of the Industrial Limestone Company, secretary and treasurer of the Brown-Borhek Lumber Company, treasurer of the Mineral Spring Ice Company, secretary and treasurer of the J. M. Degnan Company, and treasurer of the Bethlehem Bridge Commission. Mr. Miller was treasurer of the "bridge fund" from the beginning of the subscription campaign for the great hill-to-hill bridge, and that project had no more enthusiastic supporter than he. He has been on the progressive and liberal side of all civic questions and from a keen and public-spirited interest has given of his time and effort for the general good in the development of Bethlehem's possibilities.

He is a communicant of the Reformed church. In political action he is an independent Republican. His fraternal affiliations are with Allentown Lodge No. 30, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is past exalted ruler, and he is a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, the South Side Business Men's Association, and the Rotary Club, having been treasurer of the last-named organization since its formation. His clubs are the Manufacturers', of Philadelphia; Bethlehem, Northampton, Lehigh Country, Northampton County Country. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania Society of New York and the Lincoln Republican Association. Mr. Miller finds his most enjoyable relaxation from the press of business in golf and motoring, and he spends a part of each year at his summer home at Brielle, New Jersey, and his winter residence at Clearwater, Florida, where he has extensive orange and grape-fruit groves.

Mr. Miller married, August 19, 1891, Cora May Lehr, daughter of Gen. Samuel D. and Elizabeth S. (Engleman) Lehr, of Allentown, Pennsylvania. General Lehr was a veteran of the Civil War, retiring from the service with the rank of captain, and for many years was conspicuously identified with the National Guard of Pennsylvania. He was a civil engineer by profession, and for many years served the city of Allentown in various capacities as city engineer, member of council and mayor, a man of unimpeachably high standing and reputation. Mrs. Miller is interested in civic and charitable organizations in Bethlehem, and was active in Red Cross work throughout the World War. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are the parents of: Margaret Louise, a graduate of the Moravian Seminary; Samuel Lehr, a student in the Bethlehem Preparatory School.

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**ELDRIDGE PACKER WILBUR**—The present position of Mr. Wilbur in the widespread business and financial interests that have long been associated with the Wilbur name is one that he came to not solely through inheritance or favor of appointment, but by the route first of regular apprenticeship to a trade and then a clerkship in the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company, founded by his father, who continued its executive head until his death. At this time (1919) Mr. Wilbur is second vice-president of the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company, officially and financially interested in numerous business and industrial institutions throughout the Lehigh Valley, and is numbered among the citizens of Bethlehem to whose initiative, progressiveness, generosity and clear-sighted public spirit the uplift and substantial development of the city is due.

Member of the line of Wilbur founded in Pennsylvania by Henry Wilbur, of Mystic, Connecticut, Mr. Wilbur is a son of Elisha Packer and Stella M. (Abbott) Wilbur, his father one of the strongest men-of-affairs in Pennsylvania in a generation that produced a number of men of great ability.

Eldredge P. Wilbur was born August 10, 1877, and as a youth attended the Haverford Grammar School, of Haverford, Pennsylvania, the Lawrenceville Preparatory School, of Lawrenceville, New Jersey, and the Berkley School, of New York City. Foregoing a college course in favor of practical technical training, he entered the machine shops of the Lehigh Valley railroad, of which his father was president, at Sayre, Pennsylvania, with the intention of learning railroading in its every department. For a year and a half he worked at the machinist's trade, then, in 1901, returned to Bethlehem and entered the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company in the capacity of clerk. Entrusted from time to time with heavier responsibilities, he became assistant treasurer of the company, and in 1912 was elected to the second vice-presidency, an office he now fills. In addition to his official duties in this company, which represents such a vast amount of earnest thought and devoted labor in the name of Wilbur to have given it the high position among the financial institutions of the State that it now occupies, Mr. Wilbur is engaged with many other business connections, among them the vice-presidency of the Mineral Spring Ice Company, and the second vice-presidency of the Sayre Land Company, the Sayre Water Company, and the J. M. Degnan Company, of all of which he is a director.

Mr. Wilbur is a participant in the activities of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce and the South Bethlehem Business Men's Association for a greater business and industrial city. He took leading part in the campaigns that placed Bethlehem prominently among the leaders in the various war interests of the government and relief organizations, and in the needs of every day, as well as in emergencies, has proved himself a faithful, unselfish friend of the charitable and social service institutions of the city. His social connections are with the Northampton, Bethlehem, Lehigh Country and Northampton County Country clubs, his fraternal affiliations with Bethlehem Lodge No. 191, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Wilbur is fond of the out-of-doors and there he finds his recreation in gunning, fishing, motoring and golf.

Mr. Wilbur married, May 27, 1902, Lilian Linderman, daughter of Dr. Garrett B. and Frances (Evans) Linderman. Mrs. Wilbur, like her husband, is intimately concerned with the welfare of charitable and civic institutions. She is a loyal supporter of St. Luke's Hospital, serving on its Women's Auxiliary, and during the World War served as president of the Bethlehem Chapter of the American Red Cross, which accomplished splendid results under her capable leadership during the years of the conflict. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur are the parents of two sons: Donald Eldredge and Arnold Jackson.

**J. UPTON MYERS**—The line of Myers of which J. Upton Myers, of Bethlehem, is a member, was founded in America by Nicholas Myers, who with his wife and sons came from Amsterdam, Holland, in 1753. He located in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and ten years afterward purchased nine hundred acres of land in Adams county, moving to that county and locating near Round Hill in the vicinity of York Sulphur Springs. His children were: John; Jacob, of whom further; David, William, Ludwick, Nicholas, Jr., Elizabeth, Susan, Margaret J. and Mary.

(II) Jacob Myers, son of Nicholas Myers, the founder, was born in 1760. He married Hannah Smith, and in 1706 moved to Conewago Mills, later to New Chester. He died aged eighty-five years, his wife's death occurring when she was seventy-five; both are buried in the Bermudian Cemetery.

(III) Henry Myers, son of Jacob and Hannah (Smith) Myers, was born April 1, 1791, and died at New Chester, Pennsylvania, February 29, 1868. He

was a man of prominent standing in his community, and in 1842 was elected to the State Legislature. He married, at the age of twenty-one years, a first cousin, Nancy Jameson, daughter of James Jameson, who married a daughter of David Myers. Children of Henry and Nancy (Jameson) Myers: Jacob A., of whom further; Singleton, Henry Jameson, Ann E. J., Horatio Gates, David P. and William.

(IV) Jacob A. Myers, son of Henry and Nancy (Jameson) Myers, was born in New Chester, Adams county, Pennsylvania. He became the owner of a farm on the Little Bermudian creek, and built and operated the Good Intent Woolen Factory. In 1855 he became associated with his brother-in-law, John B. McCreary, in coal mining, and with his wife and five children moved to the coal regions of Tremont, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania. Here the family resided for one year, and then moved to Audenried, Carbon county, where the Honey Brook coal mines, of which he became owner, were situated. In 1865 he retired from business, and the family located permanently in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Jacob A. Myers married Sarah Ann Deardorff, born at Deardorff's Mill, near Petersburg, Adams county, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1821, daughter of John Deardorff and descendant of George Deardorff, a German Tunker, who settled in Germantown in 1729, and became one of the organizers of the first Tunker (or Dunkard) church in that place. Jacob A. Myers died in September, 1865, the father of six children, who were educated in the Moravian schools and the local universities.

(V) J. Upton Myers, son of Jacob A. and Sarah Ann (Deardorff) Myers, was born in Adams county, Pennsylvania, in October, 1853. He was educated in the Moravian schools and Bloomsburg Normal School. He has been an ardent sportsman, and spent many seasons hunting and fishing in the Rockies when the West was in its wilder and more romantic period. He is a member of the Bethlehem Club, the Northampton County Country Club, and was a member of the old Frohsinn, a singing society of male voices, which was an outstanding feature of Bethlehem life for many years.

Mr. Myers married, May 23, 1900, Elizabeth Fetter Lehman, daughter of B. E. and Harriett Matilda (Fetter) Lehman, and they are the parents of one son, Richmond Elmore.

Harriett Matilda Fetter was a daughter of Herman M. Fetter, known throughout this section of the State as "Sheriff" Fetter and as the genial landlord of the old Fetter's Hotel. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature. The Fetter family is old in Pennsylvania, Jacob Fetter, the founder, having left his home in the Palatinate in 1729 to seek religious freedom in the New World. He allied himself with the Moravians when Count Zinzendorf established the settlement in Oley, Pennsylvania. A strong artistic feeling was the leading characteristic of this family, which numbered musicians and artists among its members in different generations. Peter (2) Fetter, son of Jacob (1) Fetter, was the first permanent resident of the family in Northampton county, where they have ever since resided. The Lehman family is also of Moravian ancestry, but did not come to Northampton county until 1832, when Ernest Ludwig Lehman arrived from Berlin and established in the business of coppersmith, the first in the Lehigh Valley. This little business developed into a brass foundry, and Bernhard E., son of Ernest Lehman, took his father's place and became well known as the proprietor of the Lehigh Valley Brass Works, being succeeded, in his turn, by his son, John George Lehman. The Lehmans were intensely musical and were members of the old Bethlehem Philharmonic Society and Moravian Trombone Choir. Bernhard E. Lehman was a member of the Pennsylvania Historical Society and the Moravian Historical Society. His daughter, Elizabeth F. Myers, belongs to these societies, and to the Northampton County Historical Society, and has written papers upon various historical subjects for them. A book, "A Century of Moravian Sisters," was written by Mrs. Myers and published in 1918, and another is in preparation. Mrs. Myers is State chairman for



Pennsylvania of the Needlework Guild of America, and has served as vice-president of the Women's Club of Bethlehem, and secretary of the Bethlehem Chapter of the Red Cross.

**JOHN OWEN GRIFFITHS**—John Owen Griffiths, secretary of the Yo Eddie Club, of Bethlehem, an organization of patriotic purpose, has been commendably active in public affairs in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, during the years of war, and by his executive work for the club and his personal efforts in other activities of patriotic character has come prominently before the residents of that city, especially during the last two years.

John Owen Griffiths was born in Wilkes-Barre, July 6, 1890, the son of Owen and Elizabeth Jane (Davies) Griffiths, of that place. Owen Griffiths was born in England, but after his emigration therefrom settled in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, where he married and where two years after the birth of their son, John Owen, he died. His widow, Elizabeth Jane (Davies) Griffiths, came to America when seventeen years of age. She is a native of Barmouth, Wales, and after the death of her husband, Owen Griffiths, she married again, her second husband being David Thomas Jones, also a native of Barmouth, Wales, but at the time of their marriage and since an employee of the Wilkes-Barre Coal Company. Six children were born to them, four girls and two boys, the boys, however, both dying in infancy. It was in the home of his mother and stepfather at Wilkes-Barre that John Owen Griffiths was reared.

He was educated in the public schools of Wilkes-Barre, and eventually graduated from the Wilkes-Barre High School. Immediately after leaving school, he took on responsible work of an educational character, being mainly responsible for the direction of the Boys' Industrial School at Wilkes-Barre, an institution organized by Mrs. H. W. Palmer, of that city. For a time Mr. Griffiths was vice-president of the association, and liked his work among the boys. He is of active habits, and athletic inclinations; for five years he managed baseball and basketball teams in his home town. In February, 1912, he removed to Bethlehem to take the management of a cigar store owned by A. H. Barhold; later he opened a restaurant in Bethlehem for R. A. Kresge, and held the management of that restaurant until 1914. For a year thereafter Mr. Griffiths followed insurance, in the employ of the Prudential Insurance Company. In June, 1916, when this nation became involved with Mexico over the Villa raids into United States territory with resultant loss of life, John Owen Griffiths left for the Mexican border as a member of Company M, Fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guard. He was on active service until January, 1917. Soon after he returned to Bethlehem he took over the management of the Bethlehem business of the United Cigar Store Company, continuing until January 1, 1919, then he was made manager of one of the finest billiard and bowling academies in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, for Kurtz Brothers.

But it is in his connection with the activities of the Yo Eddie Club that he has come frequently before the people of Bethlehem since early in 1917. That club was organized during the Mexican campaign to keep the soldiers of the city supplied with tobacco and other comforts while on active service. Other similar clubs have arisen in different parts of the United States, but it is probable that the Bethlehem Club was one of the pioneers. It started with a membership of seven, and grew in its scope as well as its membership until, during the very much more extensive military operations the country subsequently became a part of, the great World War, the club had a membership of two thousand five hundred and kept three thousand five hundred soldiers constantly supplied with tobacco, or with the money where-with they could purchase it. The funds came from many sources, and all by the ingenuity, talent and indefatigable efforts of the members of the Yo



Eddie Club, which organized minstrel shows, carnivals, games and in many other ways managed to keep the fund in being. When the troops returned from the Mexican border, the Bethlehem quota received a memorable welcome, the Yo Eddie Club entertaining all of the local troops at a banquet, which was made possible by the profits of a previously given and very successful minstrel show. And, likewise, when the soldier boys left, under the Selective Service Law, to take part in the great European War, the Yo Eddie Club was active in maintaining a tobacco fund sufficient to constantly supply the soldiers while in camp or overseas. And when the sending of tobacco overseas was forbidden, because of scarcity of cargo space, the club sent the men money orders of sufficient amount to enable them to buy the tobacco from the canteen. The Yo Eddie Club includes in its membership such nationally known men as Charles M. Schwab and Mayor Johnston, and was supported in its work by all the public bodies of Bethlehem, having the endorsement of the City Council and the Chamber of Commerce. During its existence it has collected more than \$80,000 for the cause, and that sum has been expended wholly in caring for and entertaining the soldiers. Administration expenses were borne wholly by the club members, their motto being "One hundred per cent. for the boys." The largest shipment of tobacco sent by the club to France was valued at \$1,300, but in many other ways the club cared for the Bethlehem soldiers. As secretary, much of the detail work of the club would fall to Mr. Griffiths' care, of necessity, but his participation in the work did not end with his secretarial duties; his services were in constant demand and readily given. He was deputed by Special Committee of Bethlehem to see that all Bethlehem boys leaving for military service left with the knowledge that the people of Bethlehem appreciated the service they were to give, and he was also to supervise the shipments of tobacco. And later, in 1918, he was particularly active in securing for soldiers passing through the town a substantial meal, amounting to a total of seventy-two thousand men. So that altogether it may be inferred that Mr. Griffiths has spent some useful years of public service since he came to Bethlehem. On Thanksgiving Day, 1918, the mothers and wives of forty-eight Bethlehem boys who had made the supreme sacrifice were presented with baskets, and the needy ones also with checks of ten to twenty-five dollars. The following Christmas the fatalities had reached seventy-one, and similar gifts to the heroes' mothers and wives were repeated. This club largely assumed the responsibility of reception and entertainment of the returned soldiers and sailors, and also provided the bronze "Bethlehem Medals of Honor" to all service men, and gold "Bethlehem Medals of Honor" to the wife or mother of each of the city's honored dead.

Mr. Griffiths is a Democrat, and fraternally belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, member of Lodge No. 78, Bethlehem, and Patriotic Order Sons of America, Camp No. 39. Religiously, Mr. Griffiths is a Presbyterian.

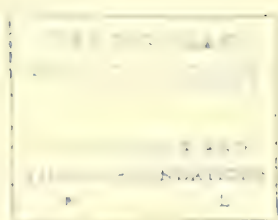
Mr. Griffiths married (first), March 25, 1912, Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas C. and Catherine Davies, but had the misfortune to lose his wife, the death of Mrs. Griffiths occurring on April 9, 1918. There were two children born to the marriage: Lillian Anna, October 3, 1913, and Robert David, June 25, 1915. Mr. Griffiths married (second), April 21, 1919, Florence E., daughter of Henry F. and the late Katie Brinkman, of Allentown, Pennsylvania.

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**HON. CHARLES BRODHEAD**—The name brodhead is so intimately associated with the history of Northampton county that no record of her prominent citizens would be complete without extended mention of this distinguished family, which has contributed many men of influence in county, State and National affairs. This record is principally concerned with the



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life and works of Charles Brodhead, who, throughout a long life of four score years, ably upheld the traditions of a notable family and as lawyer, statesman, philanthropist and man-of-affairs wrote notable chapters in its history.

Daniel Brodhead, the founder of the family in America, was a captain in a regiment of English grenadiers, and came to the New World in the reign of King Charles II, with the expedition of Col. Richard Nicolls, which effected the capture of New Amsterdam from the Dutch in 1664. The Dutch dependencies on the Hudson river, including Esopus, Schenectady and Fort Orange (Albany), were also surrendered to the British, and Capt. Daniel Brodhead was assigned with his company to maintain peace and order at Esopus, with the title of "Captain-General of the Esopus." He married Ann Tye, but it is not positively known whether she accompanied him on the expedition to America, or whether she subsequently joined him in Esopus. Among their several children were three sons, Daniel, Charles and Richard, names which continue in the family to the present. Captain Brodhead made his headquarters at Marbletown, a village near the Hudson, where he dispensed justice with a fair and impartial hand to his Dutch neighbors as well as to his English followers. He died July 14, 1667. His widow, who survived him many years, in 1697 built a residence for herself and children, and it remained in possession of her descendants until 1890. Among the family possessions dating back to this early period is a pass given by the town authorities of Marbletown, Ulster county, New York, to Daniel Brodhead, a grandson of the founder of the family, who was probably the first Brodhead to visit Pennsylvania. The document reads as follows:

Ulster in the Province of New York.

Mattys Jensen, Major Johannes Hardenbergh and Captain John Rutsen, Justices of the Peace for the County of Ulster, assigned,

To all to whom these presents shall come, or may concern, greeting: Whereas, Daniel Brodhead, son of Captain Charles Brodhead, hath a purpose to Travell out of this Province of New York into the Provinces of New Jersey and Pennsylvania:

These are to certifie that the said Daniel Brodhead hath been known unto us from the time of his nativity to this day, and during all the sd time has held himselfe as a True and Faithful Subject of our Sovereigne Lord King George and his predecessors, and is of honest and good fame, name, credit and reputation, and we desire he may be greeted accordingly.

Given under our hands and seals in Kingston, this 12th day of September, in the fifth year of His Majesty's reign Anno Domino, 1718.

(Signed) MATTYS JANSEN,  
J. HARDENBERGH,  
JOHN RUTSEN.

Daniel Brodhead did not remain in Pennsylvania, but his cousin, Daniel Brodhead, son of Richard Brodhead, a brother of Capt. Charles Brodhead, mentioned above, moved to Pennsylvania about 1735, settling on what is now Brodhead creek, near Stroudsburg, in what was then Bucks county, but is now a part of Monroe county. He laid out a town about a mile square and named it Dansbury, a station on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad, and from him are descended all the Brodheads of Pennsylvania.

The line of descent from the founder of the family came through Richard Brodhead and his wife, Magdalena Jensen. He was born in 1666, and died in 1758, while his wife died in 1707. Their only son, Daniel, who established the family in Pennsylvania, was born April 20, 1693. In 1726 he was a merchant in Albany, New York; a licensed Indian trader in 1730; and in 1737 or 1738 he moved to Pennsylvania, where he built the town of Dansbury and established a mill and also a Moravian church. He was commissioned justice of the peace September 25, 1747, and died in Bethlehem, July 22, 1755. His wife was Hester Wyngart, and their children were: Thomas Garton, who was born in 1723, and died at sea; Garrett Lucas, born in 1724; Richard B., born in 1726; Ann Garton, born in 1727; Charles, born September 7, 1729; Garrett, born January 21, 1733; Daniel, of further mention; John; and Luke.



One of the sons, Daniel Brodhead, born October 17, 1736, was colonel of the Eighth Pennsylvania Regiment in the Colonial Army during the Revolution, and at its close, while colonel, commanding the western department, with headquarters in Pittsburgh, by special act of George Washington, and in the reorganization of the Pennsylvania troops was made colonel of the First Pennsylvania Regiment in the Continental establishment. He held several State offices, and when the new organization was formed in 1789, became the first surveyor-general of Pennsylvania, which office he held until his death at Milford, Pike county, in 1809.

His brother, Garrett Brodhead, great-grandfather of Hon. Charles Brodhead, was also an officer in the Revolutionary War. He was born January 21, 1733, and became a lieutenant, doing frontier service during the struggle for Independence. He married, March 15, 1759, Jane Davis, and their children were: John, born March 3, 1766; Daniel; Richard, of further mention; George; Elizabeth, born in 1775; Rachel; and Samuel, born in 1779.

Richard Brodhead, son of Garrett Brodhead, was born in 1771, and married Jane Drake. They were the parents of: Sarah, born in 1791; Garrett, born in December, 1793; William, born in 1795; Jane, born in 1797; Albert Gallatin, of further mention; Anna Maria, born February 14, 1801; Charles, born August 4, 1805; Rachael; Eliza; Elizabeth; and Richard.

Albert Gallatin Brodhead, son of Richard Brodhead, was born in 1799, becoming a merchant of Conyngham, Pennsylvania, and in 1839 moving to Delaware, Pike county, where he purchased the old Brodhead homestead. He attained prominent and influential position in public affairs, and several times served in the State Legislature. He married Ellen Middaugh, and their only child was Charles, of whom further.

Charles Brodhead, son of Albert Gallatin and Ellen (Middaugh) Brodhead, was born at Conyngham, Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, August 4, 1824, and died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, December 31, 1904. Until he was fourteen years of age he attended the schools of Delaware, Pike county, then for two years was a student in an academic school at Stroudsburg, conducted by Ira Burrell Newman. In the spring of 1840 he went with Mr. Newman to a newly established school at Dingman's High Falls, Pike county, where he finished his preparation for college. He matriculated at Lafayette College, of which the Rev. Dr. George Junkin was then the head, in November, 1840, being graduated as a member of the class of 1844. He at once began to read law in the office of his uncle, Richard Brodhead, then a member of Congress and afterward United States Senator from Pennsylvania, and while studying in this office attended the law school established at Philadelphia by David Hoffman.

Admitted to the bar at Easton, in 1846, Mr. Brodhead soon afterward began his public service as sheriff's attorney, filling that office for three years, abandoning professional work to devote his time to real estate operations in Bethlehem. His purchase of one hundred acres of Moravian farm land on the south side of the Lehigh in 1854, at the time the Lehigh Valley, the Central of New Jersey, and the North Pennsylvania railroads were running their lines in that direction, was characteristic of his wise, far-sighted business policy. He laid out a large part of the present South Bethlehem and was one of the largest land owners of that locality, also owning considerable property in Bethlehem proper, among his possessions the well known Sun Inn, built in 1758. The future of Bethlehem as an industrial center was plain to him and he made an unsuccessful effort, with the co-operation of Jefferson Davis, then Secretary of War, and United States Senator Richard Brodhead, to secure the establishment of a government foundry in that place. Although it failed at that time, the project was not abandoned, and future years witnessed the manufacture of large stores of government material in Bethlehem's mills, and, during the World War, Bethlehem plants turned the tide of

victory toward the Allies. Charles Brodhead was the determining influence in the location of the works of the Bethlehem Iron Company at South Bethlehem, inducing Augustus Wolle to establish a projected enterprise in that place. Mr. Wolle had obtained a charter for an organization known as the Saucona Iron Company. Mr. Brodhead, becoming largely interested financially in this proposition, as he had been in other activities of Mr. Wolle, successfully advocated the choice of South Bethlehem as its location and was the author of a supplement to the original charter, changing the name to the Bethlehem Rolling Mill & Iron Company, the parent of the present vast Bethlehem interests.

Charles Brodhead was the dominating factor in many plans of progress and improvement in Bethlehem. The plan of the eleven hundred feet long bridge connecting Bethlehem and South Bethlehem was conceived by him, and he also led in the agitation for the Broad street bridge between Bethlehem and West Bethlehem. As a member of the Constitutional Convention of Pennsylvania in 1873, he wrote into that document several valuable clauses, whose worth has been proven by the tests of time and circumstances. One of these was the provision for free telegraph lines, prohibiting the consolidation of parallel or competing lines, a strong safeguard against the monopolies that soon came into vogue. He also secured the enactment of the section which prohibits all officers and employees of railroad companies from being interested, directly or indirectly, in the furnishing of supplies and material for the corporations with which they are connected, or being interested in transportation lines or contracts for transportation. A third subject on which he introduced and secured the adoption of regulations was the term of office of county treasurers, which was extended to three years, with re-election prohibited, a provision which had salutary effect. His legal training was valuable to him in this work, and to the deliberations of the convention he gave of the best of a keenly analytical mind, strong business acumen and devoted affection for his native State.

Mr. Brodhead was the builder of the railroad that became the Lehigh & Lackawanna railroad, now the Lehigh & New England railroad, and served for many years as its president. The line, constructed through his energetic perseverance and determination, was built with the double purpose of serving the great slate region and of connecting points in the popular vacation country nearby. The road was known among his associates during its construction as "Charley Brodhead's Huckleberry Railroad," a sobriquet rising from the general interest always attending an enterprise of local importance. He served on the board of trustees of Lehigh University, and lent generous support to those institutions whose object was the care of the unfortunate. His long life was productive of benefits that will endure, and during its course he held the high regard of men who, like himself, strove worthily in many fields. The rich talents that crowned his efforts with success were ever at the disposal of his fellows, though he would never enter public life, and his influence was always effectively used to further the forward and upward progress of his city and State.

Charles Brodhead married, June 1, 1858, Camilla M. Shimer, daughter of Gen. Conrad Shimer, an extensive farmer, prominent in military and political affairs in Northampton county, member of a family old in the locality, the name appearing on early records as Scheumer, Sheymer, Shymer and in other forms. Children of Hon. Charles and Camilla M. (Shimer) Brodhead: Charles, born July 26, 1859, died May 18, 1860; Kate Ellen, born May 15, 1861, married Warren A. Wilbur (q.v.); and Albert, born September 26, 1867.

**JAMES RUSSELL DONNELLY**—In the long ago, when three trains daily constituted the Lehigh Valley service to Easton, James Russell Donnelly was conductor of one of those trains, having come to the operating

department from the engineering corps. Later he became superintendent of the Lehigh and one of the best known men in the service of that road. He became a resident of Easton in 1866, and in 1869 located at No. 153 Ferry street, that being his home until his death, thirty-four years afterward. He was a son of George (2) Donnelly, who came from Ireland with his parents, George and Mary (Maloney) Donnelly, political refugees from Ireland, they having taken part in the uprisings in 1790. George Donnelly found a pleasing location in Chester county, Pennsylvania, making permanent home in West Chester.

George (2) Donnelly was but a young boy when brought to Chester county, Pennsylvania, from Ireland, but he readily adopted American ways, obtained an education in West Chester schools, learned a trade, and became a noted builder of the olden time wooden bridges. One of the bridges he constructed was that spanning the Schuylkill at Douglasville, Pennsylvania. He married Sarah Russell, of Douglasville, daughter of George Whittaker and Sarah (Reifsnnyder) Russell, and they were the parents of an only child, James Russell Donnelly, to whom this review is dedicated. George (2) Donnelly died in West Chester, Pennsylvania, in 1835, six months after the birth of his son, James Russell. Mrs. Donnelly married (second), Peter Turner, and had children: Amos, Newton, and Annie, the last-named the wife of Frank Hallman, of Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

James Russell Donnelly was born in West Chester, Chester county, Pennsylvania, October 29, 1834, and died in Easton, Pennsylvania, July 5, 1903. After the death of his father, six months later, his mother returned to her father's home in Douglasville, and there the lad, James, lived until the age of sixteen years. He was educated under private teachers, and in 1850 was sent to his uncle, Peter Russell, rector of St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal Church at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, who placed him in a private school, and there his school years were finished. During these closing years of school life he went out with the Lehigh Valley railroad engineering parties during his summer vacation periods and when school was finished he became a permanent member of the engineering department of that road. Robert H. Sayre was then chief engineer of the Lehigh, and when the road was under construction between Mauch Chunk and Easton, he made Mr. Donnelly his assistant chief engineer, a post he ably filled as long as he remained in that department of the Lehigh. He was finally transferred from the engineering corps to the operating department, and was appointed conductor of one of the three trains the Lehigh was then operating. He has advanced in rank several times, finally becoming general superintendent, a position he held until the year 1900, when he resigned, having been in the continuous employ of the Lehigh Valley railroad from his youth. He gained a high reputation among railway officials and was one of the men responsible for the placing of the Lehigh among the list of well operated railways of the United States. After resigning from the superintendent's office he retired to a well earned rest, and three years later was called to eternal rest.

Constancy and fidelity were two marked characteristics of his nature, and were displayed in every position he filled, either in business or civil life. He became a resident of Easton in 1866, and about 1870 was elected a member of the school board. He never lost the deep interest he then evinced in all matters pertaining to the operation of the public schools, and he held the office until his death more than a quarter of a century later. He was a devout churchman and for thirty-five years served Trinity Episcopal Church as vestryman, being in office when his final summons came. He was a Republican of the old school, but whenever his term on the school board expired, he was re-elected without opposition, the opposite party supporting Mr. Donnelly as enthusiastically as his own party. He was a charter member of Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Easton, and was held in high regard



by his brethren of the order. All these affiliations were continued faithfully as long as he lived, and he yielded to no man in loyalty or devotion to school, fraternity or church.

Another characteristic prominently developed in Mr. Donnelly was his love of country and his readiness to offer even that last and highest sacrifice, his life. When President Lincoln called upon the manhood of the North, West and East to rally to the colors in their defence, he enlisted with a company from Mauch Chunk, and went to the front as its first lieutenant, Commissioned by Governor Curtin, Company A, Thirty-fourth Regiment Infantry, on June 30, 1863. He saw active service and played well his part, returning from the war with a captain's commission. There he met every obligation of life, and of him it could be written: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Mr. Donnelly married at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, October 9, 1860, Sophia Johnson, of that town, who died December 26, 1905, daughter of Henry and Mary (Kintner) Johnson. In 1866 they moved to Easton, making their home at No. 153 Ferry street, and there they resided in closest harmony until the bond was dissolved by the death of the husband, the wife following two years later. They rest side by side in Easton Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly were the parents of two sons, Joseph Henry and James Russell (2); and two daughters, Elizabeth and Sarah. Joseph Henry Donnelly is now a resident of Brooklyn, New York, with the Bush Terminal Company, now operated by the United States Government. He married Winifred Willis. James Russell (2) Donnelly, of Paterson, New Jersey, married Eloise Butz, and they have four children, sons: 1. James Russell (3), married Catherine McInnerney. 2. Charles Douglas, was official photographer in the Signal Corps, American Expeditionary Forces, "Somewhere in France." He went over with the Rainbow Division, one of the two first official photographers sent over with Pershing's forces; he was prostrated by shell shock and is now (September, 1918) recuperating in London. 3. Arthur B., is physical instructor in the public schools of Rochester, New York; he married Marian Kubetka. 4. Richard Joseph, at home. Elizabeth and Sarah Donnelly, the only daughters of James Russell (1) and Sophia (Johnson) Donnelly, reside at the old home, No. 153 Ferry street, Easton, they never having known any other home.

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**LOUIS HELLER**—For many years an expert tinsmith and foreman of the Daniel Beach Shop in Easton, Louis Heller, through his mechanical skill and friendly, genial manner, made many warm friends both in a business and social way. He was of the Reading branch of the family founded in Pennsylvania by Christopher Heller, who was born in Germany, in 1688, and came to Pennsylvania in 1738, arriving in Philadelphia with his six sons, September 5, of that year. Joseph, the oldest son, never married, but the other five did, and reared large families. Johan Simon Heller, the second son, had sixteen children, four of whom, Jacob, John, Abraham and Simon, served in the Revolutionary War. Johan Michael Heller, the third son, became a very extensive land owner, was the founder of Hellertown, and there, in 1746, built a stone house, which is yet standing. He gave each of his children a farm containing several hundred acres, and lost very heavily through the depreciation of currency during the Revolutionary War. But, nevertheless, his team was the first to leave the Saucon Valley loaded with provisions for Washington's needy soldiers at Valley Forge. He was also a lieutenant in the army, and two of his sons were also in the service.

From Christopher Heller, the founder, sprang Frederick Peter Heller, born in Reading, Pennsylvania, where he passed his entire life, dying when in good old age. He was a justice of the peace for many years, that being a very important office in his day. He served in the last few years of the



Revolution, although very young. He married and was the father of eight children, the eldest being a son, George, a leading jeweler of Reading. They also had sons: John, Frederick, and Louis, the last-named being the principal character of this review.

Louis Heller was born in Reading, Pennsylvania, in March, 1814, and died in Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1890. He was baptized, as were his brothers and sisters, by Rev. Henry M. Muhlenburg, the patriarch of the Lutheran church in Pennsylvania. He was the youngest child of his parents, and was reared upon the farm lands now within Reading limits, but the Central Railroad of New Jersey, when it entered Reading, needed to cross the Heller lands, and offered a reasonable price therefor. Frederick P. Heller, the father, was deeply opposed to having his lands crossed by the railroads, and fought it bitterly, but nevertheless had to succumb to the march of public improvement. It was then decided by the father that farming was no longer a suitable occupation for his youngest son, and it was thought wise that Louis be taught a trade. He was at once apprenticed to a tinsmith in Reading, became an expert workman, then when a young man he located in Easton, Pennsylvania, later returning to take unto himself a wife. Easton was ever afterward his home, and there he won an excellent reputation as business man and citizen. His residence was on Centre square, the lot being now the site of the National Meat Market. He was very proud of his home and his family, and was devoted in his care and solicitude for them. He was a lifelong member of the Lutheran church, and died in the faith. He became a Republican at the founding of the party, and was always an ardent supporter of its principles.

Mr. Heller married, in Reading, Barbara Ann Stahle, born in 1815, daughter of Capt. Joseph and Gertrude Stahle. He returned to Easton with his bride, and there they lived until the death of Mrs. Heller at their home on Ferry street, in 1879. In youth she was a member of the Episcopal church, but after her marriage she united with the Lutheran, and worshipped with her husband. He survived her eleven years. They were the parents of ten children: 1. Maria Frederica, who for many years was engaged in the millinery business, at No. 155 Northampton street, where she died, December 12, 1918. 2. Augustus Frederick, who died in the United States Soldiers' Home at Hampton Roads, Virginia, in 1917; he was first lieutenant of the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, entering the service on President Lincoln's first call in 1861, and going to the front with his regiment, under command of Colonel Yohe. Later he was captain of Company C, of another regiment, serving until the close of the war in 1865, being engaged in many of the most important battles of the war. He married Annie Crawford, of Easton, Pennsylvania. 3. George, now residing in the old Heller homestead in Easton; he engaged in the roofing business. 4. Alice, died young. 5. Isabelle, died young. 6. Daniel, died young. 7. Matilda, married William H. Ryan, of Boston, they now residing in Allentown, Pennsylvania, where Mr Ryan is engaged in business as a box manufacturer. 8. Leonora, married William H. Seip, a merchant of Easton, he now deceased. Mrs. Seip survives her husband, a resident of Easton, the mother of eight children. 9. Anna Barbara, married Robert E. James, who for many years was president of the Easton Trust Company, and who died in Easton, November 10, 1913. 10. Louis (2), now and for the last nine years assistant treasurer of Easton; he married Elizabeth Stillgenbauer, and resides at the corner of Sixth and Northampton streets, Easton.

**HERBERT GROVER CLEVELAND HOFFERT** — Lawrence Hoffert, a son of Daniel Hoffert, was a blacksmith of Hellertown, Pennsylvania, died in 1894, aged sixty. He married Ellen Elizabeth Boehm, a daughter of James M. and Maria (Dech) Boehm, born August 1, 1842, who died January 6, 1913.

They were the parents of five children who came to years of maturity, another child, a daughter Emma, dying in infancy. The living children (1919) are: George A., an engineer with the Bethlehem Steel Company, married Ellen Ruth, and has seven living children; William T., employed as a steam crane operator at the Bethlehem Steel Company, married Ida Adams, and has five children; Harry J., a merchant of shop No. 2 of the Bethlehem Steel Company, married Gertrude Hess, daughter of Colonel Edward Hess, and has a daughter Margaret; Maria, married William H. Frye, yard master of the Bethlehem Steel Transportation Yards, and he has five sons; Herbert Grover Cleveland, of further mention.

Herbert Grover Cleveland Hoffert was born in Hellertown, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, September 3, 1884. He there attended public school, and finished his education in Hellertown High School. In 1902 he began learning the machinist's trade with the Bethlehem Steel Company. He remained with that company as machinist until 1910, then began operating in coal production, and is now conducting a large and successful business as coal operator and contractor in association with S. D. Ritter, of Freemansburg, Pennsylvania, and is also engaged in general contracting. Mr. Hoffert is a resident of North Hellertown, is a Democrat in politics, active in public affairs. He is a member and past master of Hellertown Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Saucona Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Hellertown Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle; Killatin Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men; and in religious affiliation is a Lutheran.

Mr. Hoffert married, November 25, 1913, at Hellertown, Laura Mabel Raub, daughter of Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Moser) Raub. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffert were the parents of two children: Flora May, born September 6, 1914; Catherine Ellen, born June 5, 1915. Mrs. Hoffert died November 26, 1919, aged thirty-five years, six months and four days. She was born May 22, 1883.

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**TILGHMAN REISS**—Jesse Reiss, a substantial farmer of Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, died at the age of eighty-five, honored and respected. He married Susanna Koch, who died at the age of forty-five. They were the parents of: Tilghman, of further mention; Matilda, married Joseph Morey, deceased; Mary Ann, married N. Bowler, deceased; Fayette, died, unmarried, in 1914; James, died in 1918, married; Jeremiah, died in 1918, married.

Tilghman Reiss was born in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, September 16, 1845, and like his father before him, has there spent his life engaged in farming and teaming. He is active in business, and since 1913 has been township collector of taxes, elected by a very large vote. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Reformed church, serving six years as deacon.

Mr. Reiss married (first) Lucinda B. Billheimer, who died, leaving five children: 1. Clayton, an engineer at the Bethlehem Steel Works; married Anna Wimmer, who died leaving a daughter. 2. Ida, married William Eckert, a bloomer and roller at the Bethlehem Steel Works, and has eight children. 3. Edward, a Bethlehem steel worker, married Laura Schick. 4. Susan, married Charles Steinman. 5. Lillian, married Benjamin Lambert, a forge worker in the Bethlehem Steel Works, and has three children. Mr. Reiss married (second) Mrs. Lawrence Hoffert.

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**ROBERT ELDREDGE WILBUR**—The connections of Mr. Wilbur in the industrial, business and financial circles of Bethlehem are with those institutions whose part in the growth and upbuilding of the city has been important and constant. With many of these the Wilbur name has been long identified, and in a busy career embracing activity in manufacturing, banking,

publishing and other fields of business he has ably upheld splendid family records and traditions.

Son of Warren A. and Sallie P. (Lindermann) Wilbur, Robert Eldredge Wilbur was born in Bethlehem, July 17, 1881. He prepared for college at the Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville, New Jersey, and Hill School, Pottstown, Pennsylvania, then entered Lehigh University, class of 1904. After taking two years in architectural courses in Harvard University, he returned to Bethlehem and at once engaged in business. The Bethlehem Foundry & Machine Company has occupied much of his time, and he is now (1919) assistant to the general manager of the plant. A strong, vigorous enterprise, this concern during the World War rendered valuable service in the supply of war materials for the United States and her allies. Vast quantities of powder-making machinery were produced by the company, and in its plant was made the first successfully operating apparatus for the extraction of nitric acid from the air, in the United States, as well as some of the earliest machinery for the manufacture of mustard and other gases used in warfare.

From 1907 to 1919 Mr. Wilbur was vice-president of the Lehigh Valley National Bank, and was elected president to succeed Gen. William E. Doster in the latter year. His long and close association with the important affairs of the institution made his succession to the executive office but a slight change, and his election was received with wide favor within the sphere of the bank's influence and among the banking fraternity. Mr. Wilbur is a director and executive officer in the following: President of the Globe Publishing Company, publishers of the *Bethlehem Globe*; president of the Citizens' Realty Company; treasurer of the Packer Coal Company; the same office in the Jefferson Coal Company; and is a director of the Sayre National Bank, of Sayre, Pennsylvania. In the organizations of business men of the city, formed for the promotion of the mutual interests of the members and the advancement of the commercial and industrial prosperity of the locality, he has always taken prominent part, and is now president of the South Side Business Men's Association; president of the Bethlehem Rotary Club, 1919-20; and vice-president of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce.

He holds the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, is a member of Bethlehem Commandery, Bloomsburg Consistory; Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading, Pennsylvania; and Allentown Lodge No. 30, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His social organizations are the Northampton Club, the County Country Club of Northampton County, the Lehigh Country Club, the Engineers' Club of New York, the Manufacturers' Club of Philadelphia, and the Livingston Club of Allentown. During his college years he was elected to the Sigma Phi fraternity. Mr. Wilbur is a trustee and secretary of the executive committee of St. Luke's Hospital, in whose welfare he has long taken deep interest, and is a liberal patron of all local charities. He is a vestryman of the Protestant Episcopal pro-Cathedral Church of the Nativity. His recreation are those of the out-of-doors, gunning, fishing, automobiling and motor boating. His residence is in the Fountain Hill District, and his summer home is "Sylvan Island" of the Thousand Islands of the St. Lawrence.

Mr. Wilbur married, February 11, 1905, Nina Vyse, daughter of Mrs. Nina Morgan Vyse, of New York City. Mrs. Wilbur is interested in St. Luke's Hospital through the work of the Ladies' Aid Society, and is a generous friend of the Children's Home. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur are the parents of Nina Katherine, Sallie Lindermann, Warren Abbott 2nd and Gladys Edith.

**JOHN GOSZTONYI**—The career of John Gosztonyi is one of unusual interest. His was a life that well illustrated the success that can be wrought from great handicaps by the exercise of natural talents and a strong determination to achieve. He came from his Hungarian home to seek his fortune in a new land, and after employment as a laborer entered mercantile lines,



then journalism, and subsequently became interpreter in the local courts. In this last capacity he realized the opportunity for service to his fellow countrymen and other foreigners to whom American banking systems were a mystic maze, and while a resident of Phoenixville he laid the foundations of the banking business that has since been incorporated as a trust company and that is controlled by his family. He was a talented linguist, speaking six languages fluently and being able to understand and make himself understood in as many other dialects. Among the foreign population of Bethlehem he was regarded with esteem and respect, for he proved himself a true friend on many occasions, and all of his relations to the life of the city were marked by adherence to the highest aims of good citizenship.

John Gosztonyi was born in Hungary, and in 1884 came to the United States. His first employment was in Plymouth, where he was employed in the mines, and because of his unfamiliarity with the language and customs his earnest labor brought him little profit. Subsequently he moved to Philadelphia, later going to Phoenixville, borrowing sufficient capital to open a general store. This enterprise was a prosperous one and when it was well under way he founded a Slav newspaper, *Slovak V Amerika*, conducting this journal in addition to his mercantile business for several years. The management of the *Slovak V Amerika* became a larger proposition than he felt able to maintain and he disposed of the paper, afterward, in 1892, selling his store in Phoenixville and moving to Bethlehem, where he opened another general store and continued the foreign exchange banking business that he had begun in Phoenixville. The confidence reposed in him by the foreign born population led to his choice as interpreter for the Northampton County Court, for he was a linguist of extraordinary ability, his work as interpreter frequently carrying him to New York City, Easton, Norristown and West Chester. His banking business developed into the largest foreign exchange bank in the city, and after his death the institution that he had so strongly founded was continued under the able direction of his widow, Rozi Gosztonyi, as president, his sons, John J. and Rudolph E., vice-presidents, and W. W. Peters, formerly an official of the Maunch Chunk Trust Company and the Weatherley National Bank, as secretary and treasurer. In July, 1918, it was incorporated as a trust company, with large and substantial resources, and continues in responsible position as a leading financial center for Bethlehem's foreign population.

Mr. Gosztonyi, three years after coming to Bethlehem, became the proprietor of the well known Lapierre House, and during the ten years he operated this hostelry acquired for it excellent reputation as well as deriving therefrom a comfortable income. In all of his operations he applied himself diligently to his task, was quick to see and seize opportunities, and having done all that ambition and industry could accomplish was content with the rewards of a life of probity and uprightness. His death came suddenly in 1905, and he received the tribute of sorrow from the many who knew him as a business man beyond reproach, a loyal friend and a loving husband and father. He married Rozi Tachovsky, who, since his death, has been the head of the banking business, the only woman bank president in Pennsylvania, up to this time. Mrs. Gosztonyi is a capable business woman and financier, and is almost as talented in languages as was her honored husband, being accomplished in five languages. She is a loyal friend of the churches and charitable institutions of the city, contributing generously to their funds, and is particularly active in the Catholic Slavish church of Bethlehem. The five children of Mr. and Mrs. Gosztonyi were placed under the guardianship of their maternal uncle, Otto Tachovsky, upon Mr. Gosztonyi's death, a charge that continued until they attained legal age. Children of John and Rozi (Tachovsky) Gosztonyi: 1. Charles Aloysius, of whom further. 2. John J., born in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, December 2, 1889; attended the public schools, later the Niagara University Preparatory School and the Buffalo



Medical School, now an official of the family banking house; married Dorothy Bickel, of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. 3. Rudolph, born September 20, 1891, an official of the bank; married Olga Payer, of McAdoo, Pennsylvania. 4. Rose E., born in September, 1897, educated in the parochial schools, St. Joseph's Academy, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and shortly before the outbreak of the European War, in 1914, returned from studies in Bohemia, her mother's birthplace; she married Harry E. Chapman, of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania. 5. Julius, born May 22, 1901, a graduate of Fordham Preparatory School, of New York; also connected with the bank.

Charles Aloysius Gosztonyi was born in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, in 1888, and was educated in the public and parochial schools of Bethlehem, graduating from Central High School in the class of 1906. He was graduated M.E. from Lehigh University in 1910, taking second scholastic honors in his class. Soon afterward he entered the physical laboratory of the Bethlehem Steel Company, eighteen months afterward being transferred to the armor plate machine shop, then becoming assistant foreman of the armor heat treatment department. In October, 1917, he became general foreman of the armor forging department, sixteen-inch guns then the specialty of that department. He is a musician, instrumental and vocal, of note, and for eighteen years was organist of the Slavish Catholic church of Bethlehem, serving without charge for eleven years. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus, also of the Hungarian Sick and Beneficial Society. While a student at Lehigh University he married, June 28, 1910, Mary Burton Dolan, of Bethlehem. They are the parents of two children: John (2) and Marie. John (2) is the first son born to a member of the Lehigh University, class of 1910, and was presented at birth with a loving cup by the members of the class, the cup bearing this inscription: "Presented to John Gosztonyi, born April 15, 1911, First Son of the Class of 1910, Lehigh University."

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**JOHN CHARLES MILLETT**—At Eagle Bridge, a village of Rensselaer county, New York, about twenty-three miles from Troy, John and Bridget (Keyes) Millett were living at the time of the birth of their son, Henry Millett, father of John Charles Millett, manager of the S. S. Kresges Five & Ten Cent Store in Easton. John Millett died in Eagle Bridge, his widow then moving to Troy, where she died several years later. Henry Millett also became a resident of Troy, and there yet resides, a roadmaster with the United Traction Company of that city. He married Margaret Ward, also born at Eagle Bridge, New York, daughter of Patrick Ward. They were the parents of three children: Mary, residing with her parents in Troy; John Charles, of further mention; Viola, residing at the family home in Troy.

John Charles Millett, only son of Henry and Margaret (Ward) Millett, was born in Troy, New York, July 29, 1892, and there attended the public school, finishing in high school. He began his business life with the S. S. Kresges Company in their Troy store and has never severed that connection. He began as a clerk, and until 1915 has been associated with the company in that capacity in stores in New York, Rhode Island, Missouri and Washington, District of Columbia. He had proved his ability in the different positions in which he had been placed, and in 1915 was appointed general manager of the company's store at Easton, Pennsylvania. In that position, as in all others, Mr. Millett has "made good," and the Easton store stands high on the company's roll of honor. Mr. Millett is a member of St. Brainerd's Roman Catholic Church, Union Council No. 345, Knights of Columbus, and in politics an Independent.

Mr. Millett married, in St. Louis, Missouri, June 27, 1914, Corinne Zimmerman, daughter of Theodore Zimmerman, of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Millett are the parents of two sons: John Charles (2), born February, 1916; and Donald H., born January, 1918.





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**THOMAS FRANCIS McGOVERN**—From youth, Thomas F. McGovern, formerly of South Bethlehem, was identified with the undertaking business, and thoroughly fitting himself, became one of the leaders in his business. He was a son of John McGovern, a hotel proprietor of South Bethlehem, who died March 17, 1912, in the hotel he had conducted for many years. He married Mary Dinan, also of South Bethlehem, and they were the parents of the following children: Thomas F., of further mention; Frank, a hotel proprietor, married Mary Brady, who died August 8, 1897; Agnes, residing at the South Bethlehem home; and Della, also at home.

Thomas F. McGovern was born in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, October 31, 1871, died March 31, 1914. He was educated in the public schools, and after leaving school he became his father's assistant in the management of the Eagle Hotel, the first house of public entertainment opened in South Bethlehem. He later left the hotel business and began a connection with the undertaking business, which was only severed by his own death. He prepared for the business he had decided to follow by a course at the United States School of Embalming in New York City, graduating therefrom in June, 1897. He opened an undertaking establishment in South Bethlehem, beginning in a modest way, but constantly growing in public confidence, he eventually owning the largest mortuary business in South Bethlehem. He was well liked by all who knew him, and as a funeral director was a model of consideration and courtesy, and at funerals his imposing figure seemed to impart confidence and strength. In his political faith Mr. McGovern was a Democrat, and for several years held the office of director of the poor. He was a member of Holy Infancy Roman Catholic Church, and in all the relations of civil, church and social life he was most careful and exact. His friends were legion and he was one of the most hospitable and charitable of men. He was public-spirited and progressive, large physically, and equally broad-minded. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Foresters of America.

Mr. McGovern married, February 17, 1887, at Holy Infancy Church, Marcella L. Rodgers, daughter of Patrick and Mary (Brady) Rodgers, residents of Bethlehem for half a century, her father a paving contractor and landscape gardener, one of his most noted landscapes being the grounds of Lehigh University, and he was one of the heroes of the Civil War. He died June 17, 1903, his wife dying July 21, 1914. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers were the parents of Marcella L., widow of Thomas F. McGovern; Sister Mercedes, directress of Mount St. Mary's College, Plainfield, New Jersey, who celebrated her silver jubilee as a sister September 24, 1918; Edward J., an undertaker of Allentown, Pennsylvania, married Elizabeth Doyle, of South Bethlehem; William M., a hotel proprietor, formerly coroner, and for eight years undertaker at Phillipsburg, New Jersey, married Genevieve Malarkey, of Easton, died October 30, 1918, a victim of the influenza epidemic; Elizabeth R., married Louis P. Vooz, who died October 2, 1907; Mary A., a graduate nurse, trained in St. Joseph's Hospital, Philadelphia, died June 18, 1911.

Since the death of her husband, Mrs. McGovern has succeeded to the management of the business he left, and in her work has been greatly aided by her brother, Edward J. Rodgers, an undertaker of Allentown. She is a woman of strong business ability and agreeable personality, and is proving a capable, efficient manager of a difficult business. She has no children.

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**WILLIAM JOHNSTON KRATZ**—The forty-five years of Mr. Kratz's association with the city of Bethlehem were marked by useful and beneficial service in numerous fields of endeavor. He came to the city as a teacher in the public schools, and in his after career won position of honorable standing in business and in the civic and religious life of Bethlehem. When called into the public service as an official of the South Bethlehem borough, he gave the best of the sterling qualities that had brought him business success, and



throughout a long and active life he was known as a man of high principle, broad public spirit and sound, conservative business judgment.

William Johnston Kratz was a son of Jesse and Catharine (Heistand) Kratz, and a descendant of a Switzerland family that has long been resident in Eastern Pennsylvania. He was born at New Britain, near Doylestown, Pennsylvania, December 5, 1846, and died in Bethlehem, September 27, 1917. After attendance at the public schools and the Rev. Dr. Horns' Classical School at Quakertown, he completed his studies at the Millersville State Normal School, where he prepared for the teaching profession. In 1872 he was appointed to a position in the Bethlehem public schools and after a number of years spent in teaching, resigned to accept a position in the offices of the Lehigh Valley railroad. He was identified in building and loan operations with the late Andrew L. Cope, and for many years was treasurer of the Industrial Building & Loan Association, aiding in important measure in the promotion of home building in his adopted city. In 1900 Mr. Kratz formed a connection with the Lehigh Valley Cold Storage Company, and until his death, in 1917, served as general manager and superintendent of this organization.

Mr. Kratz was a Republican in political belief, and filled the office of treasurer of South Bethlehem borough prior to the consolidation. All public works held his interest, and he was an enthusiastic promoter of public markets, taking an active part in the development of the present excellent marketing facilities of Bethlehem. His support of a measure or a movement meant his earnest, loyal backing, and many worthy causes benefited through the enlistment of his aid. His fraternal affiliations were with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. He was a communicant of the Lutheran church. He was one of the organizers of St. Mark's Church of that denomination, a charter member, for many years deacon and member of the Church Council, and a generous contributor to the various departments of the church work.

William J. Kratz married (first), September 23, 1873, Josephine Ritter, (second) January 4, 1898, Carrie Cope, daughter of Mahlon and Christiana Cope. There were two children of his first marriage: Cora Edith, born October 19, 1876, married John Laury, of Allentown, Pennsylvania; and Ruth Emma, born January 10, 1882, married William Laury, of Allentown. Of his second marriage there was one daughter, Lucie Elizabeth, born November 10, 1903, a student in the Moravian Preparatory School.

**HENRY HALLER MITCHELL**—Paternally of Scotch-Irish family and early American ancestry, Mr. Mitchell, secretary and treasurer of the General Crushed Stone Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, possesses those qualities of self-reliance, loyalty and uprightness which marked that race to whom this country owes so much, the Scotch-Irish pioneer. He is a grandson of Rev. John Mitchell, an early Methodist minister of the State of Ohio, stationed at Mount Vernon, in that State, at the time of the birth of William Mitchell, son of Rev. John and Ann (Ogden) Mitchell, a man of versatile talents, one of the well known educators of his day, and a veteran of the Civil War, holding a captain's commission.

William Mitchell was born in Mount Vernon, Ohio, in 1829, and died in Bismarck, North Dakota, in 1890. He was educated in the public schools, academy and college, and prior to the war between the States of the Union, was a teacher. He enlisted in the war, served as captain of the Ninety-sixth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and at its close was honorably discharged. After the war he returned to Ohio, where he held several positions as an instructor of youth and was for a time superintendent of Columbus, Ohio, public schools. In 1880 he removed to the State of North Dakota, where he continued his professional career until his death. He located in Fargo, and there for a time practiced law, but during nearly his entire life

he taught in public school and academy. He ranked very high among the educators of his State, and at the time of his death was superintendent of public instruction for the State of North Dakota.

William Mitchell married Catherine Haller, daughter of Henry and Catherine (Spangler) Haller. Her father was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1802. Mrs. Catherine Mitchell was born in Union county, Pennsylvania, in 1829, but later her parents moved to Mount Vernon, Ohio, where she also resided for a time after her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were the parents of two sons and a daughter: Charles A., a graduate of Harvard University, class of '81, now principal of the Asheville School, at Asheville, North Carolina; Henry Haller, of further mention; Anna, married C. F. Scheinfurth, an architect of Cleveland, Ohio.

Henry Haller Mitchell, second son of William and Catherine (Haller) Mitchell, was born at Mount Vernon, Ohio, August 10, 1859. He prepared for college in high school in Cleveland, Ohio, intending to enter Harvard, but his plans were overthrown by circumstances, and instead he entered the employ of the Merchants' Dispatch & Transportation Company, later entering railroad service. In turn he was in the employ of the Big Four and the Nickel Plate railway systems in their constructing departments; with the Michigan & Ohio, in the operating department; with the Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic, in charge of purchases, leaving the last-named company in order to engage in mercantile business on his own account in Marquette, Michigan. He continued in Marquette until July, 1890, when he removed to New York City. From 1890 until 1898 he was engaged in the iron business as manufacturers' agent, was an official of two producing companies, and for a time was located in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1898 he entered in the stone business with office in New York City, there remaining until 1901, when he located in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, with the General Crushed Stone Company, then of that city. Bethlehem continued the headquarters of the company until 1911, when their general offices were removed to Easton, the present home of the company. Mr. Mitchell was elected secretary and treasurer in 1902, and still continues in that office, also serving as a director of the company and as secretary, treasurer and director of the Amies Road Company.

While he is an active and energetic business man fully meeting all the requirements of the positions he holds, Mr. Mitchell has not neglected the finer side of life, but in club, fraternity and philanthropy manifests his interest in the things that are worth while. He has long been interested in boy welfare work, and individually in boys themselves. He has aided many boys to reach positions in which to develop, expand and prove their worth, boys who apparently were without hope, ambition or ability when he offered them a helping hand. It was largely through his interest and energy that the Boys' Club of Bethlehem was formed, an organization which has done much for the boys of that city. For several years, while a resident of Bethlehem, Mr. Mitchell was president of that club, but all his life he has had a special interest in friendless boys. He is a trustee of St. Luke's Hospital, at Bethlehem, chairman of the finance committee of the Trinity Episcopal Church of Easton, member of the Rotary, Pomfret and Northampton Country clubs, and a charter member of the Bethlehem Club. He is an enthusiastic supporter of the Visiting Nurses' Association, of which he is treasurer, and president of Easton Council, Boy Scouts. In his political preference he is a Republican.

Mr. Mitchell married, June 17, 1884, Stella Josephine Redington, daughter of Joseph A. and Chloe (Lewis) Redington, of Cleveland, Ohio. Her father, a pioneer in the iron ore business, owned a line of steamers engaged in transporting ore from the Lake Superior mine district to Lake Erie ports. Mrs. Mitchell is a talented musician, active in philanthropic work, member of the Women's Club, chairman of the membership committee of Easton

Red Cross Chapter and of the Young Women's Christian Association, and for several years was president of the South Bethlehem Children's Home.

**CLARENCE N. ANDREWS**—Clarence N. Andrews, general manager and managing editor of the *Free Press* Publishing Company of Easton, was born in Ashboro, North Carolina, July 29, 1856, son of Clinton M. and Ellen M. (Butz) Andrews, his mother a daughter of Daniel W. and Elvira (Barnett) Butz, of Easton. Clinton M. Andrews, a student at Lafayette College, class of 1856, was a colonel in the Confederate Army, and in 1864 received a wound in action, from which his death occurred. After the death of her honored husband, Mrs. Andrew returned to her Easton home as soon as possible, bringing her son, their residence in Easton dating from 1866.

Clarence N. Andrews, at the age of ten years, began his public school attendance, which was continued until 1872, when he was graduated from high school and entered Lafayette College. He was graduated from Lafayette, Ph.B. 1876, and a month later his mother passed away. After leaving college, he was for a time in the clerical employ of the Easton National Bank, and then began the study of law. That study was abandoned when a position as reporter opened to him, and in 1878 he became a member of the reportorial staff of the Easton *Free Press*, and during the more than forty years which have since elapsed he has been continuously in the service of that publication.

In 1885, Mr. Andrews and Eugene W. Clifton became partners in the ownership of the *Free Press*, and as Andrews & Clifton continued its publication until the death of Mr. Clifton, in 1901. Mr. Andrews conducted the paper alone until 1893, when the *Free Press* Publishing Company was organized, that company being the owners and publishers from that date until the present, 1919. In 1904 Mr. Andrews was made general manager and managing editor, and during the years which have followed, the *Free Press* has risen to and maintains the leadership among the afternoon papers of the Lehigh Valley. In 1898 Mr. Andrews was appointed postmaster of Easton, and for four and a half years he held that office. For a number of years he has been elder of College Hill Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Andrews married Jennie O. Neiman, daughter of Daniel H. Neiman, of Easton, and they are the parents of five children: Edith, married Rev. Edward I. Campbell, of New Hartford, New York; Marion, married Audley L. Mabon, of Indiana, Pennsylvania; Clarence D., sergeant of Company G, Three Hundred and Nineteenth Infantry, American Expeditionary Forces; Jeannette N., at home; a daughter, Elizabeth, died in her third year.

**JACOB T. JACOBY**—When the Jacoby American ancestor first came to America he settled in New Jersey where there are many descendants. A branch later came to Pennsylvania, and for several generations Williams township in Northampton county has been the family seat. There John P. Jacoby, grandfather of Jacob T. Jacoby, chief of Easton's police force, lived and died. He was for many years toll-taker at the old Glendon bridge, and was a well known character of Williams township until his death at the age of eighty-one years.

John P. was succeeded by his son, John Jacoby, who like his father was born, lived and died in Williams township. He died February 12, 1914, aged seventy-three years, a farmer during his active life. He married Martha Stout, who died March 28, 1915, aged sixty years. She was born in Flemington, New Jersey, daughter of Plato and Mathilda Stout. Her father was a miller who for many years operated the Flemington mill, but later ran the Upper Walters mill on the Bushkill in Northampton county, Pennsylvania. John and Martha Jacoby were the parents of nine children: Daniel, deceased; John; Plato; Jacob Thomas, of whom further; Philip; Fred; Mattie; Charles; and one who died in infancy.







William H. Gosner

Jacob Thomas Jacoby, son of John and Martha (Stout) Jacoby, was born in Williams township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, August 30, 1876. After completing his studies in the public schools, he learned the machinist's trade, but he early became an expert ball player, and for years was a professional ball player. During his seventeen years as a professional player he played in the Atlantic, New York State, Tri State, Texas State, Connecticut State and Oil Region leagues, and was rated with the best of those leagues in the position he played. In 1913 he retired from professional baseball and secured appointment to the Easton police force as a patrolman. Five years later, on April 6, 1918, he was promoted chief, and in that position is now serving with credit and efficiency. His promotion has been rapid, but based on merit, and the police department reflects the wisdom of his appointment. He is a member of the McKinley Republican Club, and with his family is affiliated with St. John's Lutheran Church.

Chief Jacoby married, June 20, 1896, Bertha Clay Horn, daughter of Frank P. and Mary Horn, of Easton. They are the parents of a son and a daughter: Frank Pierce Jacoby, a member of the Easton City Guards, now employed with the Ingersoll-Rand Company, of Easton; and Ethel May Jacoby, assistant city clerk of Easton.

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**WILLIAM HENRY GOSNER**—The business monument which William H. Gosner reared to his memory in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, is the Lehigh Steam Laundry, which he founded, erected an appropriate home for, and successfully conducted until his death. He left no sons to perpetuate his name and continue the business, but he did leave a daughter, who succeeded her father as head of the business and still conducts it. William H. Gosner was a son of David and Ann (Bachman) Gosner, of old Easton families, his father a farmer.

William Henry Gosner was born in Easton, April 19, 1844, and died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, July 17, 1911. His mother died when her son was but eighteen months of age, and he was taken by a sister of Mr. Gosner's father, Polly Fulmer, of Durham township, who tenderly cared for him through the perils of childhood, gave him educational advantages, and with her he lived until his marriage in 1866. He was the only child of his parents, but his father married a second wife, Mrs. Henry, and they were the parents of two sons: Howard and Edward, and of four daughters: Susan, Catherine, Amanda and Sarah Gosner. After leaving school, William H. Gosner drove a team hauling ore for the Durham Furnace for several years. He then moved to Bethlehem, near the Central railroad roundhouse, and there he built his first house. In Bethlehem he secured employment with the Bethlehem Iron Company as a rail straightener, and continued in the employ of that corporation for eighteen years. He was then possessed of sufficient capital to carry out a long formed plan, and he left the iron company, moved to Allentown, Pennsylvania, and there started a laundry in a small way. He remained in the laundry business in Allentown for seven years, amply proving to his own satisfaction that he had made a wise choice of a business. He was, however, not satisfied with his location, and at the end of seven years he sold out and moved to Bethlehem, where he established the Lehigh Steam Laundry in a building rented from Mr. Skinner. Later he purchased a site and erected thereon the present building, and equipped it with every modern machine or aid to perfect laundering on a large scale. He then succeeded beyond his hopes, and at the time of his death between fifty and sixty hands, two motor trucks and five teams were needed to handle the business.

Mr. Gosner married, April 14, 1866, Rebecca A. Wilson, who survives him, a resident of Bethlehem. Mrs. Gosner is a daughter of David Wilson, of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, her father a farmer and hotel-keeper, proprietor of the Revere Hotel three miles from Ferndale. Mr. and Mrs. Gosner were the parents of two children, one who died in infancy, and a daughter

Anna M., who married Fred W. Bohler, and upon the death of her father succeeded him as managing head of the Lehigh Steam Laundry. Mrs. Bohler resides with her widowed mother, Mrs. Gosner. She inherits her father's strong business talent and is a worthy successor. Mrs. Bohler succeeded to the business upon the death of her father in 1919, and her son was admitted to the business of the estate, and now takes an active part in the business. His name is Harry E. R. Bohler, and his sketch follows.

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**HARRY EDWARD RONALD BOHLER**—Well known as the energetic proprietor of the Lehigh Steam Laundry, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Mr. Bohler has won many friends by his upright life and devotion to the business which he has built up from a small beginning. He is a son of Fred W. Bohler, born in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, who since the year 1897 has been residing in the Philippines, a construction contractor. Fred W. Bohler married Anna M. Gosner, and their only child, Harry E. R. Bohler, is one of the men of Bethlehem who have fairly won their way to public regard.

Harry E. R. Bohler was born in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, August 3, 1891, and there attended the public schools and Moravian Preparatory School. Later he was a student at Westchester Normal School, then entered Bethlehem Preparatory School, finishing his studies there. In 1910 he entered the employ of William H. Gosner, proprietor of a laundry in Bethlehem, with whom he remained until death claimed Mr. Gosner, in 1911. Mr. Bohler then became manager of the laundry, and so closely has he devoted himself to its upbuilding that the business transacted weekly has doubled in volume. The Lehigh Steam Laundry is located on New street, Bethlehem, South Side, and under its present management is a well equipped, modern establishment. Mr. Bohler has always been deeply interested in local military matters. In 1910 he joined the Sons of Veterans' Reserves, and on November 12, 1917, enlisted at Fort Slocum, New York; from the Officers' Training School at Yaphank, Long Island, he graduated April 16, 1918, and was appointed second lieutenant of infantry, United States Army; June 1, 1918, transferred to Camp Hancock, Georgia, as instructor in Officers' Training School, machine gun division, and discharged December 13, 1918. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias.

Mr. Bohler married, in Bethlehem, January 1, 1914, Flora Elizabeth Elliott, born in Bethlehem, March 31, 1892, daughter of James L. Elliott, a retired business man and ex-councilman of Bethlehem, South Side, and his wife, Agnes (Herman) Elliott, born in Nazareth, Pennsylvania.

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**HOWARD D. BEYSHER**—Since meeting with the accident which deprived him of a limb, Mr. Beysher has engaged in various business enterprises both as an employee and proprietor, his present activity, Beysher's Taxi Service, located at No. 405 Broadway, South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, being a most prosperous and profitable one. He is a son of Cornelius Beysher, who died in September, 1916, aged sixty-six years, a pioneer of South Bethlehem, who at the time of his death had been an invalid for ten years, after a life of activity as a contractor. He was a friend of John Fritz, of the Bethlehem Steel Company, a Democrat in politics, member of the School Board for eight years. Cornelius Beysher married Lucinda Ritter, daughter of Nathan Ritter, of Allentown. They were the parents of the following children: John W., now in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Works, married Mamie Wagner, of Salisbury, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of a daughter, Clair; Helen L., married John Tenney; Howard D., of further mention.

Howard D. Beysher was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, February 21, 1881, and there educated in the public schools. His first position was as clerk in the Lerch & Rice department store, there remaining eighteen months when, in jumping from a moving train, June 18, 1899, he was so seriously



*Harry E. R. Bohler*





injured that his left leg had to be amputated. After recovering from this serious accident he entered the clerical employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, retaining that position four years, resigning to become proprietor of the Bellevue Hotel in South Bethlehem, which he had bought. After retiring from the management of the Bellevue, he spent three years in St. Louis, Missouri, as cashier in a manufacturing plant, then returned to Bethlehem. He started there the Wyandotte Pressing Club, conducting that enterprise four years before instituting Beysher's Taxi Service with the motto "Anytime to Anywhere." He has built up the service to a high level of efficiency, and has made it an institution of South Bethlehem with which this borough would very reluctantly part. He is a man of progressive, energetic nature, and whatever he does is well and promptly done. He is a member of Friendship Fraternal Order and the Loyal Order of Moose, is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Lutheran church.

Mr. Beysher married, June 21, 1905, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Lotta Bougher, daughter of Martin W. and Alice (Zearfaus) Bougher, both living, her father a retired ship chandler of Philadelphia. He has long been active in the Republican party, was city councilman two terms, represented his district in the State Legislature. He is now practically retired from public life, but has an office in the city department of weights and measures, and serves his ward as committeeman.

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**JOHN L. SMITH**—John L. Smith, proprietor of Smith's Café, Centre square, Easton, succeeded to the ownership of that business in 1913, and has developed a well regulated establishment, catering to the general public through both bar and dining room. The dining room is large and well patronized, the management giving especially good service. Mr. Smith was born in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and was there educated. Until reaching his majority he was engaged in farming, then opened a hotel in Schuylkill county, where he continued until coming to Easton, in 1900. He is a Democrat in politics, belongs to the Jacksonian Club, and to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and has a host of friends.

Mr. Smith married Eva C. Kuebler, daughter of Joseph Kuebler, of Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are members of Christ Lutheran Church.

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**HENRY SHORT**—John Short, of England, came to the United States in 1873 with his wife and seven children, finding a home in East Bangor, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where he was engaged in slate quarrying all the remainder of his active years. He and his family were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Children, all of whom came with their parents to this country and lived in East Bangor: Sarah, married George H. Mutton; Mary A., married Samuel Baker; George, deceased; Alfred, deceased; Eliza; Hannah T., married George A. Manley; and Henry, of further mention.

Henry Short, son of John Short, was born in England in 1867, and in 1873 was brought to East Bangor, Pennsylvania, by his parents. He attended public school until reaching a suitable age, then began working in the slate quarries with his father. He finally became assistant superintendent, a position he yet holds with the East Bangor Consolidated Slate Company, a corporation of which he is a director. He has won his way to a leading position among the business men of his city, and is highly regarded as citizen and business man. He is a director of the First National Bank of Bangor; director of the East Bangor Manufacturing Company; director of the Slate Belt Building & Loan Association; trustee of the Methodist Episcopal church of East Bangor; member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, No. 183, in which he has passed all the chairs, and is past grand of Bangor Lodge No. 661, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a Republican in politics, has served

on the School Board for eighteen years, three years in the Common Council, and in many minor offices.

Mr. Short married Minnie Wilson, daughter of William and Susan (Bray) Wilson, and they are the parents of six children: Agnes M., born July 31, 1897, a graduate of the East Bangor High School, class of 1914, of the East Stroudsburg State Normal School, and now a teacher in the East Bangor public school; Susan A., born March 9, 1900, a graduate of the East Bangor High School, class of 1916, and Churchman's Business College, now a stenographer in the employ of the East Bangor Consolidated Slate Company; Celia W., born May 26, 1902, a graduate of the high school, class of 1919; Natalie J., born June 5, 1910; John M., born November 23, 1912; Alvis M., born September 6, 1915. Mrs. Minnie (Wilson) Short died December 22, 1918.

**WILLIAM HENRY MILCHSACK**—One of the most beautiful residences in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, is occupied by William Henry Milchsack, a retired jewelry merchant. His home stands upon a rising knoll of ground, from which well kept lawns roll away in all directions. Hundreds of rare trees and shrubberies adorn the extensive grounds, and in the blooming season it is the Mecca of lovers of the beautiful in nature.

Mr. Milchsack is very proud of his Revolutionary ancestry, and justly so, for he springs from fine stock on both the paternal and maternal sides of his family. His great-grandfather, George Milchsack, served in the American army of the Revolution during the troubled days of our War for Independence, in the Sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Line. His great-great-grandfather was Heinrich Beitel, a famous Moravian missionary who for many years labored among the Arawack Indians of Berbice, at that time in Dutch Guiana, South America.

The father of Mr. Milchsack was Henry Thomas Milchsack, of Bethlehem, a merchant tailor and later proprietor of hotels at Lake Poconoming, Monroe county, Nazareth, and the Bethlehem. His mother was Ellen Augusta Beitel, of Nazareth, Pennsylvania. Their son, William Henry, was born in Bethlehem, March 28, 1860. At the age of six he was sent to the Moravian Parochial School in his home town, continuing his studies there for eight years. Then he became a student at Nazareth Hall Military Academy, at Nazareth, Pennsylvania, remaining there for two years, when he graduated in 1876. He is a member of the Nazareth Moravian Congregation. Mr. Milchsack was married on October 11, 1900, to Mrs. Mary A. Sproule Rankins, in Brooklyn, New York, a daughter of James and Mary Jane DeCue Sproule, of Brooklyn Heights, New York. She died July 8, 1907. On October 3, 1912, at Buffalo, New York, he was married to Mrs. Isabelle Murray Reid, of Chicago, daughter of Hugh and Mary Murray, of Buffalo, New York.

While taking no active part in politics, Mr. Milchsack is a Republican. He is greatly interested in club and historical affairs, being a member of the Pennsylvania Society, Sons of the American Revolution; District of Columbia Society, Sons of the American Revolution; the Moravian Historical Society, the Northampton County Historical and Genealogical Society, and Easton Motor Association. He is vice-president of the Nazareth Young Men's Christian Association, and secretary and trustee of Nazareth Hall Military Academy of Nazareth, Pennsylvania.

**HARRY W. REICHARD**—As general road foreman of engineers with the Lehigh Valley railroad, Mr. Reichard is filling a position for which his years of service in the operating department of the Lehigh fully qualifies him. He is a son of Robert T. Reichard, of No. 329 Bushkill street, who is a trainman in the Lehigh Valley railroad service, and a grandson of Thomas and Augusta Reichard, who were longtime residents of Quakertown, Pennsylvania. Robert T. Reichard was born in Quakertown, and there spent his



Yours Sincerely  
Wm. H. Milchsack.









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youth. He married Susan Bleam, of the same town, and they are the parents of a son, Harry W. Reichard, of further mention, and a daughter, Elizabeth, wife of Oscar Meeker, of Easton, their only child a son, Robert Meeker.

Harry W. Reichard was born in Quakertown, Pennsylvania, December 25, 1882, but soon after his birth his parents moved to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and there he attended the public schools. Later Easton became the family home, and there the lad completed his studies at the age of seventeen years. From boyhood he had been in love with railroad life, and when the time came to make a choice of business for himself, he sought it with the Lehigh Valley railroad. His first position was with the automatic signal department of that road, and there he spent three and a half years. From that position he was advanced to the position of locomotive fireman of the division between Jersey City and Sayre, Pennsylvania. At the end of four years in that capacity, he successfully passed a required examination and was advanced to the position of locomotive engineer and assigned to a run between Jersey City and Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania. For several years he rode upon the right side of the cab, and in the intervals acted as assistant road foreman of engines. On August 4, 1918, his faithfulness to duty, his ability and his loyalty to the company, brought him further promotion, and he was appointed to his present important post, general road foreman of engines. Mr. Reichard is a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; Firemen's Loyal Protective Association; Vandever Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and is a Republican in politics, casting his first presidential vote for William McKinley.

Mr. Reichard married, in Easton, September 14, 1910, Helen R. Hall, of Allentown, daughter of Robert J. and Alice Mary (Shrader) Hall. Mr. and Mrs. Reichard are the parents of three children: Donald Harrison Hall, Kenneth Thomas and Jeanette Shrader. Mrs. Reichard is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Nazareth, Pennsylvania.

**ROBERT BENJAMIN LEWIS**—Robert Benjamin Lewis, superintendent and general manager of the Phoenix Slate Company, Windgap, Pennsylvania, was born January 10, 1886, at Fair Haven, Vermont, son of Benjamin and Catherine J. (Owens) Lewis. Benjamin Lewis was born in Bethesda, North Wales, on Christmas of 1850. His trade was the slate business, but for eleven years he was a partner in a mercantile store in Vermont, and since that time he has been retired. For a number of years he was treasurer and is now a trustee of the Welsh Congregational Church. He is a member of the Blue Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, Vermont, and belongs to the local Order of Foresters. Catherine J. Lewis, mother of Robert Benjamin Lewis, was born in Fair Haven, and is still in active life there. Benjamin and Catherine Lewis were the parents of three children: 1. Harry B., born May 17, 1888, a salesman in Vermont; married Annie Francis of the same place. 2. Herbert Owen, born July 8, 1889; a bookkeeper in the plant of his brother, Robert Benjamin; married Gwendolan Thomas, of Fair Haven, and had two children: Edwin Herbert, born June 26, 1914, and Edith Elizabeth, born in December, 1915. 3. Robert Benjamin, of whom further.

Robert Benjamin Lewis spent the early years of his life in his native Fair Haven, and was educated in the public schools there. For a short time he attended the high school, until it became necessary for him to leave and enter business. Later he completed his education at the Rutland Business College, in Rutland, Vermont, and year by year as he went along he strove to educate himself further. He began his business career as bookkeeper for Durick, Keenan & Company, slate manufacturers. In 1909 he was offered and accepted a similar position with his present concern, being promoted to his present important position in 1914. His father and grandfather were in the same business, so Robert B. Lewis was cradled in the trade of the slate quarry. In business he was very aggressive and active, as his success has



shown, and socially he is worthily popular. In politics he is a Republican, but has never aspired to office. He is a member of the Congregational church.

At Utica, New York, July 19, 1911, Robert Benjamin Lewis married Grace Alice Roberts, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Jones) Roberts, of Utica, New York. She is a graduate of Utica Academy and the Teachers' Training School, and for several years was herself a teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Lewis are the parents of two children: Miriam Elizabeth, born July 26, 1914; and Esther Catherine, born September 28, 1916.

**DAVID BURKE**—In the year 1891, Mr. Burke came to Bangor, Pennsylvania, a young man of twenty-one years. Twenty-seven years have since intervened, and he has, during that period, won the regard and respect of his fellow men. When in 1914 a Democratic postmaster was to be appointed by President Wilson, Mr. Burke was strongly endorsed for the position, and on May 1, 1914, was duly commissioned and assumed the duties of the office, which he yet holds. He is the youngest son of Patrick Burke, born in Ireland, who came to the United States in 1860, and settled in Fair Haven, Vermont, where he died December 12, 1873. He married Annie Fitzpatrick, also born in Ireland, who came to the United States in 1856. They were the parents of five children: Catherine, married John Ryan, of Vermont; Mary, who died in 1906; Nellie, who married John Foley, of Fair Haven, Vermont; Teresa, married Michael Bird, of Fair Haven; David, of further mention.

David Burke was born in Fair Haven, Vermont, November 19, 1870, and there spent his youth, acquiring his education in the local schools. He was variously employed during his minor years, but in 1891 came to Bangor, in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where he at once engaged in the structural slate business. He continued in that business very successfully, but since May 1, 1914, has been postmaster of Bangor. He is a member of the Roman Catholic church and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Bangor, and in his political faith is a Democrat.

Mr. Burke married, in 1907, Carrie Heller, daughter of Aaron and Emma (Gruver) Heller.

**HENRY CLAY HOOVER**—Henry C. Hoover, manager of the F. W. Woolworth store in Easton, Pennsylvania, was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, September 26, 1874, son of Henry C. and Violet (Trewitz) Hoover. His father, Henry C. Hoover, was long engaged in coach building, retiring in 1898, and is now residing with his son, Henry C. (2), in Easton. His wife, Violet, died in January, 1902, in Easton. Both were members of the Protestant Episcopal church and they were the parents of six children: John, deceased; William, a resident of Lancaster, Pennsylvania; Henry C., of further mention; Alfred, manager of the Woolworth Five and Ten Cent Store in Camden, New Jersey. Two other children died in infancy.

Henry C. Hoover spent his school years in the Lancaster public school until reaching the age of twelve, when he entered the employ of the Woolworth Five and Ten Cent Store in Lancaster, and from that year, 1886, he has been continuously in the employ of that famed organization, the F. W. Woolworth Company. Seven years later, at the age of nineteen, he was made manager of the Lancaster store, and on February 21, 1899, he located in Easton as manager of the Woolworth store in that city. When he first entered the Easton store he found it occupying a room 26 by 40 feet, the present room is 52 by 110 feet, and so firmly and well has he built up the business that the Easton store is one of the finest in the immense chain of Woolworth stores. His life service to the company has left him an employee, but he is one of the heavy stockholders of the company, and he gives executive attention to company affairs.

Mr. Hoover is a member of Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons;



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Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; De Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and is a thirty-second degree member of Bloomsburg Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a member of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Pomfret Club, Rotary Club, Automobile Club, and of Grace Reformed Church.

Mr. Hoover married, February 14, 1899, Bertha Mariner, daughter of Tobias Mariner. The Hoover home is at No. 1443 Washington street, Easton, their summer home at Lake Hopatcong.

Mr. Hoover enjoyed the close friendship and entire confidence of his chief, Frank W. Woolworth, now deceased, who made him a store manager while he lacked two years of being of legal age, being the youngest man ever made manager of a Woolworth store. He now has attained the opposite extreme, and is the oldest manager of a Woolworth store in point of years of service. He is a man of strong business ability, combined with a pleasing personality, and has a host of friends.

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**ROBERT ASHER SCHAEFFER**—Robert Asher Schaeffer, a partner in the L. W. Strock Company, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was born March 26, 1876, in the township of Moore, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. He is a son of Peter T. and Christiana (Biechy) Schaeffer, neither of whom are now living. Peter T. Schaeffer was a farmer in his native Moore township until his retirement several years before his death, which occurred in March, 1915. He was a member of the United Brethren. His wife, Christiana (Biechy) Schaeffer, mother of Robert Asher Schaeffer, was a daughter of Reuben and Mary (Heine) Biechy. She died in 1896, leaving three children, viz.: Ellen, wife of Harry Smith, a slater, of Pen Argyl, and they have eight children; Martha, wife of Thomas Fehnel, a farmer in Bushkill Park, and they are the parents of three children; Lizzie, wife of Harvey Bass, a farmer of Schoenersville, and they have five children.

Robert A. Schaeffer is a self-made man; truly so, in every sense of the word. He received a thorough fundamental education in the public schools of Moore township, and at the age of fourteen years he became a clerk in a rural grocery store, continuing in that position for five years. A youth of nineteen, he then became transfer man in the freight depot of the Central railroad, and was soon transferred to car clerk, which office he occupied for five years. In 1900 he entered the employ of the L. W. Strock Company, and thirteen years later he advanced himself to a partnership in that concern, an office which he is now holding.

Mr. Schaeffer is a member of the Blue Lodge of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and belongs also to the Patriots of America. On December 7, 1918, Mr. Schaeffer became a member of the Caldwell Consistory. He is, therefore, a thirty-second degree Mason. He is a member of the Moravian church, and serves on the board of trustees of that church.

Mr. Schaeffer married, October 19, 1899, Lizzie J. Reinhard, daughter of Jeremiah D. and Elizabeth (Jacobs) Reinhard, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Jeremiah D. Reinhard was a stone cutter, and died in 1900, followed by his wife in 1905. Robert A. and Lizzie J. Schaeffer have two children: Hilda May, born May 10, 1900, a graduate of the public high school in 1917, now a stenographer for the Weston Dodson Company; and Harry Joseph, born June 1, 1903.

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**HERBERT FRANKLIN JONES**—Although Mr. Jones had no previous training for the business which he has conducted in Windgap since 1913, that fact has not operated against his success, and the pioneer garage which he opened in the year named has had a most prosperous career. He is a son of Joseph Amandus Jones, of Pennsylvania German descent, a quarryman still



actively employed at his business. He married Ellen Rebecca Gum, and they were the parents of five children, three of whom are living: Emma, wife of Heber Parsons Slater, of Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania; Pearl, wife of Clarence Repsher, a machinist; and Herbert Franklin, of further mention.

Herbert Franklin Jones was born in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, July 8, 1880, and there was educated in the public schools. He began his business career as clerk in a country general store, so continuing for ten years. In 1913 he opened the pioneer garage in Windgap, an enterprise which has proved such a success that Mr. Jones still continues its owner and head. The garage, 30 by 120 feet, accommodates thirty-five cars, and in connection therewith Mr. Jones has a repair shop, also a full line of automobile accessories on sale. A Republican in politics, Mr. Jones gives little attention to public affairs, but is entirely devoted to his business interests. In religious faith he is a Lutheran.

Mr. Jones married, May 12, 1906, Eva Reinhart, of Albertus, Pennsylvania, daughter of Leshner and Laura (Reinhart) Reinhart.

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**GEORGE SALTIS**—In the town of Tilcik, County of Saros, Hungary, near the Galician border, George Saltis, now of South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was born September 28, 1885. He was the son of John and Anna (Thomas) Saltis. His father was a farmer of Saros county. There George Saltis lived until eighteen years of age, attending school and assisting his father in farm work. In 1903 he left home to come to the United States, where a brother had been killed in the coal mines at Hazelton, Pennsylvania, in 1896. Other members of the family besides John had come to the United States, and all are now living in Bethlehem: Mary, married John Bucks; Stephen; Linden, married Anna Schmidt. Upon coming to the United States, George Saltis stopped for a time in New York City, but his brother Stephen and sister Mary were living in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and there he soon joined them. He was a very homesick boy for the first month, and had he been possessed of the means, there is little doubt but that he would have returned to his home in the Old World.

His first work was with the Bethlehem Steel Company in the building department, where he remained eighteen months. He then left the mill, and for about five years was associated with his brother Stephen, who was proprietor of a meat market, garage and rendering plant. He is one of the prominent men of his nationality in Bethlehem, and has accumulated a considerable landed estate in addition to his business. He is a member of Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; president of the Slavic Political Club; president of Slavic Hall Association; member of the Church of the Sacred Heart; St. Stephen's Society; St. Peter's Society; Cyril and Methodius Union Socor, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Saltis married Anna Shego, born in Austria-Hungary, a daughter of John and Anna (Hudy) Shego. They were the parents of four children: John, Rosa, George and Stephen.

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**HENRY ZIEGENHORN**—All his years, from childhood to the time of his death, were spent in Easton, Pennsylvania, and nearly all those years he was engaged in merchant tailoring, he becoming an expert cutter and artistic designer. He was a son of Julius and Charlotte (Kasten) Ziegenhorn, both born in Germany and there marrying. A little later they came to the United States, Julius then being twenty years of age and an experienced tailor. They located in Easton, where Mr. Ziegenhorn conducted a successful tailoring business and instructed his son in the business to which he finally succeeded. He was one of the early business men of later Easton, and was highly regarded and respected. They were the parents of four daughters and a son Henry.

Henry Ziegenhorn was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, May 28, 1855, and



Henry Ziegenhorn



there died September 18, 1908, a successful merchant and esteemed citizen. He was educated in the graded and high schools of the city, finishing at Trach Academy. His father was one of the well known merchant tailors of Easton, his shop being just south of the entrance of the Easton Trust Company. He learned the cutter's trade after deciding to make tailoring his life work, and he went to New York City, there completing his instruction in cutting and designing under capable instructors. He was associated with his father in business until the latter's death in 1881, then succeeded him, and until his own death in 1908 was head of a large and prosperous business. The old location was abandoned for a roomier location, Nos. 119-121 South Third street, and later he bought the property at No. 103 South Third street, to which he removed. There he continued in business the remainder of his life, which ended in its prime, he being but fifty-three years when his final summons came. He was a good business man, high principled and upright, demanding from and giving every man his just due. He took no part in political affairs, but was devoted to his home and there found his great happiness.

He was a member of the Masonic order, holding all degrees of the York Rite, including the Knight Templar degree, was a noble of the Mystic Shrine and a member of the Heptasophs. He was a devoted member of Christ Lutheran Church, aiding liberally in church and charitable work. He confined himself closely to his own business, but made an exception in favor of real estate investments, and became the owner of several parcels of improved property, which he held for renting purpose, his tenants finding him a considerate and just landlord. Thus he went through life, meeting his obligations as business man and citizen promptly and to the full. He was highly esteemed by all who knew him, and his acquaintance was very extensive.

Mr. Ziegenhorn married, in Easton, Pennsylvania, October 3, 1880, the pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church officiating, Mary Kinney, born in Easton, October 29, 1859. She was educated in the public schools of Easton and Bethlehem Moravian Seminary, and is yet a resident of the city of her birth, her home at No. 214 Ferry street. Mr. and Mrs. Ziegenhorn were the parents of three daughters and two sons: Bessie, a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1910, and later for one year a teacher; Esther, married W. S. Mitman, of Easton, one of the instructors at the Easton High School; Ruth, married F. R. Kemmerer, of Easton, connected with the Easton Trust Company; Karl Albert, who succeeded his father in business, and was connected with the quartermaster department of the United States Army, stationed at Camp Lee, Virginia; William Hardy, a graduate of Easton High School, class of 1910, and of Pierce Business College, Philadelphia, now city sales manager with the Philadelphia Bag Company, married May Hoffmier, of Easton, and they have a son, Karl Henry.

Mrs. Mary (Kinney) Ziegenhorn is a daughter of Dr. William Hardy Kinney, who was born in Harmony, New Jersey, in 1837, and died in Denver, Colorado, in July, 1909. He was a son of John and Mary (Hardy) Kinney, of New Jersey. Dr. Kinney was a man of brilliant mind and scholarly attainment, broad in vision, correctly foreseeing coming events and decidedly of an inventive genius. He grew up at Harmony, and for several winters he walked the seven miles which lay between his home and the school which he attended in Phillipsburg. As he grew older his father gave him the use of a horse to bring him to school, and after completing his own studies he became a teacher. Later deciding upon the medical profession, he entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and after receiving his M.D. located in Easton, where he practiced his profession and maintained a drug business on Third street. When the Civil War broke out he enlisted in the Union Army, but was assigned to duty as assistant surgeon of the Naval Hospital at New Orleans, when that city came into the hands of the Union forces. He served until the war closed, then returned to Easton, where he resumed his drug



business. He rendered further public service in the treasury department at Washington, District of Columbia; and as assistant postmaster at Easton, under James Mingle, postmaster. He spoke seven languages fluently, was a capable short-hand writer, one of the earliest to master stenography and telegraphy in Easton. He was a popular physician, and after closing out his practice and drug business in Easton, he accepted a position as purser and surgeon with the Garrison Line, running steamers between New York to Rio Janeiro, Brazil, South America. Later he filled a similar position with the Mallory Steamship Company. Finally he gave up the sea and became interested in gold mine investments, locating in Denver, Colorado, also acting as claim agent for the Denver & Rio Grande railroad. He was a member of the Presbyterian church, a member of the Masonic order, aiding in organizing one of the Easton lodges and becoming a charter member. He was an ardent lifelong Democrat, and in all things upright and honorable.

Dr. Kinney married, in Easton, Catherine Caroline Mebus, born in Easton in 1833, daughter of Helfrich and Elizabeth (Limeburner) Mebus, her parents born in Germany, her father bourghmaster of Marburg. After coming to the United States, Helfrich Mebus engaged in the shoe business in Easton, and there died. He was well known and highly respected. Dr. and Mrs. Kinney were the parents of three daughters and three sons: Mary, now widow of Henry Ziegenhorn, and residing in Easton, a highly esteemed lady; William, a resident of Buffalo, New York; Louise, married Frank Brotzman, of California; Frank, of Rochester, New York; Kate, married Kenneth Andrews, of Denver, Colorado; Russell, a resident of New Orleans, Louisiana.

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**ALBERT E. ANDERSON**—Now chief of the fire fighting forces of his native city, Chief Anderson is daily proving the wisdom of his selection and appointment. He is a son of William and Emma (Kyle) Anderson, of South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and a grandson of Peter Anderson, a seaman and a veteran of the Civil War, serving in the Navy. William Anderson also served for two years in the United States Navy during the Civil War.

Albert E. Anderson was born in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, June 18, 1878, and there was educated in the public schools. After completing his school years he entered the clerical employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, and for twenty-two years continued in that service at the main office; and each year brought him increased responsibilities. He resigned his position in 1915, and for nineteen months was in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company. Then again he resigned, having been appointed by Mayor Johnston, chief of the Bethlehem Fire Department. The appointment was made January 7, 1918, he having been a member of the Fire Department of the city since 1900.

Chief Anderson is a member of the Keystone Fire Chiefs' Association; Pennsylvania State Firemen's Association; the Four County Fire Association; the Knights of Pythias; and the Church of the Nativity; his political bias, Republican. He married in 1904, May Folke, of McClure, Pennsylvania.

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**HAROLD S. VANNATTA**—As treasurer of the Ashton Casket Company, Mr. Vannatta is associated officially with the corporation founded upon the business which he served in a clerical capacity while it was still under the control of Frank Ashton, as a firm. The business, however, dates much farther back, having been established by William Keller, who conducted it under his own name. He was succeeded by Frank Ashton, who continued its head until 1908, when he reorganized and incorporated as the Ashton Casket Company, of Easton. The present officials are: W. K. Spangenberg, president; H. S. Vannatta, secretary-treasurer and general manager. The company is capitalized at \$75,000 and transacts a large business in Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, as manufacturers of caskets and under-

taker's supplies. The plant of the company is located at Bank and Pine streets, Easton, where, for thirty-five years, the same business has flourished under capable management.

Harold S. Vannatta is a son of Frank and a grandson of Aaron Vannatta, blacksmiths of Lower Mt. Bethel township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, the father now, 1919, living a retired life at Martins Creek in the same county. Frank Vannatta learned the blacksmith's trade with his father, and for half a century followed that trade, owning his own shop. He married Belle Best, now also residing at Martins Creek, and they were the parents of two children, of whom Harold S. is the only living child. Mr. and Mrs. Vannatta are members of the Lutheran church.

Harold S. Vannatta was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, November 16, 1872. After completing a public school education, he entered business life as clerk in Rader's store in Easton, there remaining several years. His next position was with the Stewart wholesale dry goods store, he continuing in that employ until 1899, when he entered the employ of Frank Ashton, a manufacturer of caskets and undertakers' supplies, as book-keeper. He continued in that capacity until 1908, when he became one of the incorporators of the Ashton Casket Company, was elected secretary-treasurer, and appointed general manager of the company. Ten years have since elapsed and he has proven the wisdom of the selection, this business having prospered under his managing care.

He is a member and a past master of Dallas Lodge, No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons of Easton; is a companion and present scribe of Easton Chapter, No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; member and principal conductor of Pomp Council, No. 20, Royal and Select Masters; a sir knight and generalissimo of Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; and a noble of Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; all Easton bodies except the last named, which is located at Reading, Pennsylvania. He is also a member of the Sons of Veterans through the military service of his father, a veteran of the Union Army.

Mr. Vannatta married in 1890, Lizzie, daughter of Samuel Hutchinson, of Martins Creek, Pennsylvania. The family home is No. 1013 Bushkill street, Easton, Pennsylvania. Both Mr. and Mrs. Vannatta are members of St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

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**SAMUEL H. MOSER**—A prosperous manufacturer and dealer in candies, in Easton, Pennsylvania, Mr. Moser can review his life with satisfaction, for he left home at the age of fourteen years with no capital but courage and determination to succeed. This he has done, and he can truly claim to have been the architect of his own fortunes. His father, William Moser, of Belfast, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, was a mason by trade, also a landowner and farmer. He was a member of the Lutheran church, as was his wife, Catherine (Diehl) Moser, both passing their lives in Belfast section of Northampton county. They were the parents of two daughters and five sons: Maria, Louisa, Levi, William, Josiah, Isaac, and Samuel H.

Samuel H. Moser, son of William and Catherine (Diehl) Moser, was born at Belfast, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and attended the public schools of Belfast until fourteen years of age. He then left home without money, but quickly found employment, working first in a brick yard and later in a steel mill. Soon, however, he found more suitable employment, and for twelve years he was in the employ of Mr. Abel, the famous candy maker of Easton, who taught him candy making in all its forms, and instructed him in business methods. About 1902, Mr. Moser entered into a partnership with John Steel, and for four years they engaged in the candy business as a firm. Mr. Moser, in 1904, bought his partner's interest, and

has since been in business alone as a candy manufacturer and wholesale and retail dealer in candies. He has built up a large business, his salesmen covering Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, on their regular trips. He is a member of the Odd Fellows, Red Men, Senior Order of Mechanics, Knights of the Golden Eagle, and Junior Order of Mechanics.

Mr. Moser married Amy Margaret Unaugst, and they are the parents of three children: Milton R., born in Easton, 1892; Clyde E., born in Easton, 1895; Hilda B., born in Easton, 1897. All these children were educated in the public and high schools of Easton. Mr. and Mrs. Moser are members of the Lutheran church.

**WILSON E. BECK**, secretary of the Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Pennsylvania, and a well regarded resident of Nazareth, belongs to one of the old Northampton county families, and has had connection with the town of Nazareth for at least three generations. The grand ancestor of the Beck family of Nazareth first came to Northampton county in 1751, settling for a time in Bethlehem, but eventually removed to Nazareth, where the family has since remained, and each generation has been of some prominence in the affairs of the town. The children of the earlier generations were many, and the branches of the family spread to parts of the States of Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan and Kansas. The name appears on many town records, the local histories of settlements and counties of Pennsylvania, et al., but the information is not sufficiently complete to enable the present chronicler to connect and place in proper authoritative genealogical order for this writing. (See genealogical table compiled by Miss Clara A. Beck, Norristown, Pennsylvania.)

Wilson E. Beck, of Nazareth, was born in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, October 9, 1858, the son of Jacob H. and Lydia A. (Nolf) Beck, and grandson of Jacob F. Beck, all of Nazareth. In the early years of the family's association with Northampton county and with Nazareth, the branch to which this article directly belongs were butchers, malters and brewers, an industry customarily followed in those days by leading families in country districts, the practice arising probably out of the recognition that hospitality and cheer were expected of them by passing travelers. Jacob F. Beck was a butcher malter and brewer; so also was his son, Jacob H., who was born in Nazareth, June 26, 1829, and died in that place December 22, 1901. Immediately prior to the Civil War, the butchering, malting and brewing business conducted by the Beck family was discontinued. During the period of the war he served as Assistant Internal Revenue Collector for Northampton county, and subsequently was almost continuously in public office. He was respected in Nazareth, and throughout Northampton county, for thirty-five years, he was a justice of the peace, a sufficiently clear indication of his honorable standing among the people of his district. For twelve years prior to his death he was secretary of the Farmers' Union Mutual Fire Insurance Company; and for many years he served as secretary and treasurer of the board of trustees of the Moravian Church, in the affairs of which he took earnest and active interest.

His son, Wilson E., succeeded him to the secretaryship of the Fire Insurance Company at his death; for two years prior to that, Wilson E. Beck had official connection with the company, having been treasurer and assistant secretary since 1900. Wilson E. Beck has interested himself actively in public affairs sufficiently to consent to take public office. He was elected to the Board of County Commissioners, and as a conscientious man of sincere interest in the welfare of the county and town in which he was born and the history of which his family had so long a connection, he had certain definite ideas as to what projects would bring improvement to the district,



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but he discovered that the board was conducted on the principle of party politics before civic interest, so that most of his plans for public improvements were rendered impossible of consummation because of the opposition that met his proposals from the other members of the board. Consequently, at the end of his term as county commissioner, he felt that he would not again take public office under similar conditions, which stultified individual effort.

Mr. Beck has for many years been prominently identified with Masonic bodies; he was initiated into Masonry in Easton Lodge, No. 152, and was one of the founders of Whitefield Lodge, No. 622, at Nazareth, and for eight years was its secretary. He has passed through most of the Masonic bodies, including the Council, Chapter, Commandery, and is a life member of Caldwell Consistory at Bloomsburg, and a member of Lu Lu Shrine at Philadelphia.

In 1897 Mr. Beck was married to Mary A. Eck, of Alburtis, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. They, however, have no children.

**GEORGE ELLIOTT TURNER**—Like many other farmer boys in regions traversed by trunk line railroads, George E. Turner entered railroad service, believing that to be the surest and quickest way to break away from the farm and reach a good position in the world outside. That he has succeeded in his boyhood plans and desires is proven by the responsible position he holds, chief engineer of the Pennsylvania Utilities Company, with headquarters at Easton, Pennsylvania, a city which has been his home since 1912. He is of English descent, his grandfather, George Washington Turner, born in Virginia, coming North when a boy and settling in Chemung county, New York State. He married a Miss Clark, of Irish descent, and they were the parents of six children: George Washington (2), father of George E. Turner, of Easton; Joseph R., Martha, Susan, Catherine, and Tempy.

George Washington (2) Turner was born in Chemung county, New York, where he engaged in farming until forty-five years of age, then became a hotel proprietor, and is now living retired in the city of Elmira, New York. He married Mary Ellen Griggs, of Chemung county, New York, daughter of Elliott and Ellen Griggs. Mr. and Mrs. Turner were the parents of eight children: Adelaide, married Robert Boetker, of Elmira, New York; Mabel, married W. R. Smith, of San Francisco, California; George Elliott, of further mention; Elias R., of Elmira, New York, married Sarah Updike; Joseph R.; Jennie Updike; David B., now an enlisted soldier, serving with the United States Marines; and Catherine A.

George Elliott Turner, eldest son of George Washington (2) and Mary Ellen (Griggs) Turner, was born in the village of Jericho, Chemung county, New York, April 5, 1880, and there spent his youth, attending the district schools and helping on the farm. He left school at the age of fourteen, and during the next four years continued a farm worker, then at the age of eighteen started out to make his way in the world. He secured a position with the Lehigh Valley Railroad in the department of signals between Sayre, Pennsylvania, and Buffalo, New York, and for two years was in that employ, then for one year worked on a farm near Rochester, New York. From the farm he went to Elmira, New York, and for three years was there employed by the Street Car Company, in different capacities, in the car barn, as motor-man, conductor, and general repairman. For the next two years he was with the same company as electric light lineman, then was advanced to the position of general foreman at Elmira, holding that post for three years. From Elmira he went to Newburgh, New York, as construction foreman of a transmission line of the Central Hudson Gas & Electric Company, remaining there one year. He spent the next eight months at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, as chief patrolman of the Connecticut River Transmission Com-

pany, then returned to the Central Hudson Gas & Electric Company at Newburg, remaining with that company as foreman of construction until 1912, in which year he became foreman of transmission and construction for the Pennsylvania Utilities Company, holding this until October, 1917, when he was promoted to the post of chief engineer, which he is now most efficiently filling. He has literally worked his way upward from the bottom of the ladder of success, and by sheer merit and worth has thus far ascended. He has come far for so young a man, and for him the future holds brilliant promise. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, is an ardent Democrat, holds fraternal membership in the Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge No. 145; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 121; Knights of Pythias, Manor Lodge; Noble Order of Equines Stable, No. 1; all Easton bodies of which Mr. Turner is a popular member.

Mr. Turner married, in Elmira, New York, June 8, 1903, Elizabeth Brown, daughter of Mrs. Catherine (Brown) Lovejoy, of Elmira.

**PAUL TRUMBOWER**—Paul Trumbower, who is the owner of a spacious and well equipped up-to-date garage in Hellertown, Pennsylvania, and is rapidly developing a substantial automobile business throughout Northampton county for the "Dodge" car in which he specializes, comes of one of the pioneer families of Bucks county, Pennsylvania. His father was justice of the peace in Bucks county for twenty-five years, and his grandfather held like office in the same county for forty-seven years.

Paul Trumbower was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, April 2, 1891, the son of Aaron R. Trumbower, and grandson of Henry T. Trumbower, all of Bucks county, in the early history of which the family has prominent place. Henry T. Trumbower followed agriculture, tilling the ancestral acres. He was a man of strong character and undeviating uprightness, and held the respect of the community to such an extent that for forty-seven years he held the responsible post of justice of the peace. His son, Aaron R. Trumbower, father of Paul Trumbower, was born May 27, 1857, and to an extent in early life followed agricultural pursuits. He is still alive, and has for many years been actively engaged in substantial lumber business. He also is partner with his son in the automobile enterprise now being developed. For twenty-five years Aaron R. Trumbower was justice of the peace in Bucks county, and took a prominent part in the local activities of the Democratic party.

Paul Trumbower was given a very good education, starting in the public school, and continuing in the high school, after graduating from which he took the collegiate course at Perkwaen Seminary. Entering industrial life, he served an apprenticeship of four years as machinist in the shops of the Bethlehem Steel Company. For eighteen months he was manager of the Quakertown & Delaware River Railroad. In 1915, attracted by the prospects of success in the automobile field, he bought the garage he now operates from S. L. Stevens. It is a splendid building of brick, two stories high, one hundred and thirty by forty-two feet, and is equipped with up-to-date tools, so that all repair work may be expeditiously executed. And the garage, which has capacity for twenty-five cars, is also used by Mr. Trumbower in his new car business, he being the local representative for the "Dodge" car. Mr. Trumbower is an optimistic, active and aggressive man of business, and is succeeding well. His father also is interested in the automobile business, although obviously at his age he could not be expected to take as aggressive a part in the business as does the younger partner. However, between them, quite a promising business has been established. Paul Trumbower is, like his father, a Democrat, but he does not appear to have taken active part in politics. He has held no office, and probably finds that the demands of his own business take most of his time. Religiously, Mr. Trumbower is a Lutheran, and a supporter of the local church. Frater-







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nally, he is identified with the Ancient Order of Free and Accepted Masons, being a member of Saucon Lodge, No. 469. He also belongs to the Local Lodge of Modern Woodmen.

On June 21, 1915, Paul Trumbower married Lottie, daughter of Titus and Mary Ruch, of Hellertown, a well known family of that place, whose record has been already written for inclusion elsewhere in this volume. Mr. and Mrs. Trumbower have one child, Titus, who was born March 28, 1917, at Hellertown.

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**ADOLPH FISCHER**—Among the newcomers of Easton's florists, Adolph Fischer brought expert skill and knowledge to his American business, having been trained under the direction of his father, a leading florist. The Fischer establishment at Easton includes 35,000 square feet under glass at the greenhouses on Twenty-fourth street and Ealer avenue, and a store for the sale of plants and cut flowers a No. 5 Center square. Adolph Fischer, son of Conrad and Augusta (Boeck) Fischer, was born at Pirna, on the river Elbe, Saxony, Germany, January 25, 1885, and there obtained a good education. He was taught the florist business most thoroughly by his father, and to that practical training he added the knowledge obtained from books on botany and the culture of plants and flowers. He remained with his father in his large floral gardens and greenhouses until 1908, becoming thoroughly skilled both in flower culture and business methods, by which profit is derived from the products which skill and knowledge have caused to grow and bloom. In 1908 the younger Mr. Fischer came to the United States, arranging that his passage across be paid for in labor. He arrived in Philadelphia, and there spent four years, at the end of which period he came to Easton. He was first employed by florists of the city, but gradually he built up a business of his own which he formally opened in 1915. He has won a generous patronage, and has prospered abundantly.

Mr. Fischer married Sophia Grove Schanz, daughter of Louis Schanz, of College Hill, Easton. She was born in Karlsruhe, Baden, Germany, and they are the parents of a son, Ludwig, who was educated in the Easton public schools and is now associated with his father in the floral business, having charge of the store. The family home is a part of the greenhouse property which Mr. Fischer purchased in 1915. Mr. and Mrs. Fischer are members of the Lutheran church.

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**CHARLES A. PORTER**—When the Rosendale Cement Company in 1898 increased their plant at what was then Siegfried, now Northampton, Pennsylvania, by the addition of the Lawrence Portland Cement Company, Charles A. Porter was superintendent of the company's plant at Binnewater, New York, and appointed assistant superintendent of the Northampton branch. From that date he has been a resident of Northampton, and the present general superintendent of the company and its third vice-president. He is one of the best known of cement manufacturers in Eastern Pennsylvania. The Lawrence Portland Cement Company is one of the important units of the cement industry, and during the twenty years Mr. Porter has been connected with the company in official capacity he has been one of the factors in its success. He is a son of Ishmael and Anna (Mullen) Porter, his father a well known brush manufacturer of Troy, New York, where he died. His widow is now a resident of Northampton, Pennsylvania.

Charles A. Porter was born in Troy, New York, October 25, 1867, and there attended public schools until beginning business with a brush manufacturing concern. That did not particularly appeal to him, so he started clerking in a grocery at Troy, New York, continuing in that business for several years. In 1888 he began his connection with the cement industry as a laborer at the plant of the Lawrence Cement Company, there remain-

ing ten years, rising to the position of superintendent of their plant at Binnewater, New York. In that position he demonstrated his ability as a manager of such ability that in 1898 he was transferred to Northampton, as assistant superintendent of the Lawrence Portland Cement Company, which the company had acquired, and there he has since remained. Until 1901 he held the position of assistant superintendent most satisfactorily, then was advanced to the general superintendency, and later was elected a member of the board of directors and chosen third vice-president. He is an authority on cement manufacture, and has literally worked his way from the bottom to the top. He is president of the Alliance Hollow Cement Block Company since it was incorporated in 1903, and a director of the Allen Trust Company of Northampton. He has entered heartily unto the life of Northampton, and since the outbreak of war with Germany has patriotically supported every movement to aid in its vigorous prosecution. He is a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Free Masonry, holding the thirty-second degree; belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and in politics is a Republican.

Mr. Porter married, in New Salem, New York, Almena Freer, of New Salem, a lady of education and refinement. They are the parents of a daughter, Irene, wife of Stanley Lamber, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, that city also now the home of the Porters.

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**JOHN WILLIAM HARLE**—John William Harle, of Easton, is a son of William (2) Harle, born in White House, New Jersey, and grandson of William (1) Harle, a wheelwright of Hunterdon county, New Jersey. William (2) Harle was born in White House, New Jersey, in 1833, died in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, April 12, 1900. He was a mill worker and a farmer, employed for twenty years by Ephraim Stair. He married Sarah Ketchum, of New Hope, Pennsylvania, daughter of Samuel and Jane Ketchum. They were the parents of the following children: John William, of whom further; James T., of Phillipsburg, New Jersey; Alice, Mrs. C. A. Stephenson, of Hoboken; Gertrude, Mrs. James Thorne, died in Phillipsburg; Emma, Mrs. Thomas Sovereign, died in Newark; Lillie, Mrs. Alfred Heath, died in Lambertsville, New Jersey; Ella, Mrs. Clifford Seip, died in Phillipsburg.

John William Harle was born in Lambertsville, Hunterdon county, New Jersey, January 9, 1854, and there spent the first twenty years of his life. He was the eldest of seven children, and at the age of eleven left school that he might contribute something to the family purse. Until nineteen years of age, he was employed in a flax mill, saw mills and as a team driver, his wages in the flax mill at first being \$2.50 weekly. At the age of nineteen he began learning the carpenter's trade under the instruction of Cornelius Arnet, serving an apprenticeship of three years, but did not follow his trade as a builder, accepting employment in the planing mill owned by Ephraim Stair, and for twenty-two years he operated a circular saw. For fourteen of those years he was employed by Searfoss & Steinmetz, of Easton. After twenty-two years inside working, he became an outside carpenter, so continuing until 1917, when he bought his present business, furniture repairing, in shop at No. 3 North Seventh street, Easton. His residence is No. 675 Spring Garden street, a double dwelling which Mr. Harle built and owns, he also owning two brick houses on Bushkill street.

Mr. Harle married, in Phillipsburg, New Jersey, December 25, 1875, Annie Davis, daughter of Thomas and Mary Davis. They are both members of the Evangelical church, Mr. Harle a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Royal Order of Buffalo. In politics he is a Republican.

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**CHARLES MADDOCK**—About 1845 there came to Glendon, now a borough of Northampton county, two miles from Easton, William Firmstone,







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the founder of the Glendon Iron Company, and with him came George Maddock, an Englishman, an expert in iron manufacture. He was with the Glendon Iron Company from its beginning, and far from his English home wrought and labored until the end of his life. With him at the beginning of the Glendon Iron Company was Daniel Thomas, a Welshman. Both George Maddock and Daniel Thomas were the grandfathers of Charles Maddock of Easton. George Maddock had a son, Samuel Maddock, who was born in Burslem, a town of England, in County Stafford, and came to the United States with his father in 1845. Upon arriving at a suitable age he, too, became an employe of the Glendon Iron Company. Samuel Maddock married Elvira Thomas, born in Glendon, Pennsylvania, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Evans) Thomas. Her father was born in Wales, and was connected with the Glendon Iron Company. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Maddock were the parents of an only son, Charles Maddock, whose career is hereinafter traced, and a daughter, who died in childhood.

Charles Maddock was born in Glendon, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, June 2, 1868, and was educated in the public schools of Easton, graduating with the high school class of 1885. Having a passion for and early displaying decided talent for music, he was given a musical education, and specialized in the study of the piano and pipe organ. Some of the instructors who led him through those days of hard working practice were: Dr. Mason and Dr. Carl, of New York City; Professor Knauss, of Easton; and Dr. Frederick Wolle, of Bethlehem; all wonderful musicians and deeply interested in their pupil. It was not until 1890 that Mr. Maddock entered the public field as a teacher, but his studio quickly became a noted musical center, and its prestige increased with the years. He has for nineteen years been organist of the First Presbyterian Church of Easton, and at all times has classes to which he is imparting musical instruction on piano or pipe organ. He is a leader in Easton's musical circle, and has a large patronage from outside the city.

Professor Maddock is a member of the National Association of Organists, is a member of the Rotary Club, and an elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Easton. In politics he is an Independent Republican. He married, June 7, 1893, Mildred Burwell, daughter of Samuel and Fredericka (Boller) Burwell, of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. Mrs. Maddock is a graduate of Phillipsburg High School, a worker of the Red Cross and church activities, and a member of the Woman's Club.

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**WILLIAM HENRY MOHR**--In Bethlehem, the scene of his preparatory and technical education, William Henry Mohr has assumed responsible position in his profession, civil engineering, and now, as the superintendent of the Bethlehem Construction Company, holds place in his profession as an able, resourceful, and progressive engineer. Mr. Mohr's connection with this concern dates from February, 1917, when he began the discharge of his duties, first as chief engineer, and later as superintendent, a relationship that, filled with busy endeavor and accomplishment, has been mutually profitable and satisfactory. William Henry Mohr is a son of Henry K. and Mary (Moyer) Mohr. His father was born on a farm near Lansdale, Pennsylvania, and passed his life in farming; he is a communicant of the Baptist church, and now lives retired. Mary (Moyer) Mohr is a daughter of Levi Moyer, of Hellertown, Pennsylvania. Children of Henry K. and Mary (Moyer) Mohr: Raymond L., a graduate of Lehigh University in the class of 1917, now a mechanical engineer in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company; Carrie, married Dr. William G. Moyer, a physician of Quakertown, Pennsylvania, now (1919) a lieutenant in the United States Army, medical department, and has children: Stanley, Willard, Catherine, and William G., Jr.; Charlotte, married David Longacre, a farmer, of Spring-

town, Pennsylvania; Helen, a graduate of the Quakertown High School and the West Chester State Normal, now a school teacher of Quakertown, residing at home; William Henry, of whom further.

William Henry Mohr was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1890, and after attendance at the Quakertown High School he entered the Bethlehem Preparatory School, at the completion of his course in that institution enrolling in the engineering department of Lehigh University. He was graduated in the class of 1911, winning first honors in civil engineering, in which he took his degree. His first position was with the Lewis F. Shoemaker Company, of Pottstown, Pennsylvania, where he was employed until February, 1917. On this date Mr. Mohr accepted the position of chief engineer, and in September, 1917, became the superintendent, his present position, with the Bethlehem Construction Company, of Bethlehem, a position he has since most capably filled. His interests are entirely in his professional work and in his family. He is a member of the Menonite church.

Mr. Mohr married, November 22, 1913, Pearl Moyer, a graduate of the Quakertown High School and the West Chester State Normal School, and for two years a teacher in public school. She is a daughter of Abraham G. and Hannah (Fretz) Moyer, her father a general merchant of Quakertown and prominent in local affairs. Mr. and Mrs. Mohr are the parents of one daughter, Elizabeth, born September 3, 1914.

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**WILLIAM W. FRUTCHEY**—Now again settled on the old homestead and living in the house in which he was born, Mr. Frutchey is returning not only to the scenes but to the pursuits of his youth when, as his father's assistant, he tilled the acres he now owns. The Frutcheys came early to the Lehigh Valley, but from where there seems grave doubt, France, Switzerland and Germany all being claimed as the original home of the family according to the authority consulted. The family was seated in Saucon township as early as 1750, and Peter Frutchey was born there in 1776. William, Peter and Maurice Frutchey settled in Upper Mount Bethel township, where William died, April 11, 1843, aged sixty-nine. He owned eighty acres of fertile land, which he cultivated, and was a man highly respected in his community. He was a Democrat in politics, and both he and his wife loyal and devoted members of the Reformed church. He married Susan Allenburg, born about 1775, died September 1, 1843, only surviving her husband a few months. They were the parents of sons: Jacob, John, William, Matthias, Peter W., Christian, and a daughter, Susan, and three children who died in childhood. Descent is traced in this line through Matthias Frutchey, the fourth son of William and Susan (Allenburg) Frutchey.

Matthias Frutchey was born at the farm in Mount Bethel, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there spent his youth. Later he learned the harnessmaker's trade and located at Richmond, Washington township, in his native county, there following his trade and operating his own nearby farm all his life. He married Catherine Reimer, and among their children was a son, Samuel.

Samuel Frutchey, son of Matthias and Catherine (Reimer) Frutchey, was born at the home farm near Richmond, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 21, 1823, and there lived until 1849, engaged in farming. In 1849 he moved to Bangor, then called Ottsville, where he bought a farm, upon which he resided until his death. In addition to his farming operations, he was engaged in butchering to a certain extent and was a veterinarian of recognized ability. He died at his Bangor farm, January 21, 1898. He married (first) Susanna Richard, and they were the parents of twelve children: Samuel, who died in infancy; Joseph H., died in infancy; John J.; William W., of further mention; Edward F.; Irwin, died in infancy; Mary E., married Daniel Stiles; Amanda E., married Horace J. Miller; Emma S.;



Valeria, deceased; Ann M., married A. J. Nagle; Sarah Alice, died unmarried. Samuel Frutchey married (second) Christina Weiss, and they were the parents of four children: Violet, married Arlington La Bar; Flora May; Ruth, married Louis La Bar; and Jennie.

William W. Frutchey, son of Samuel Frutchey and his first wife, Susanna Richard, was born at the home farm near Bangor, now the corner of Seventh street and Pennsylvania avenue, in the house in which he now resides, May 7, 1860. He attended the public schools, then remained at home, his father's assistant, until 1882, when he established a teaming business of his own in Bangor, which he conducted for three years. He then entered the employ of Henry Kern, a public truckman and street sprinkling contractor of New York City, with whom he was employed for eleven years. In 1893 he bought the business for himself and operated it for five years, selling out and retiring from the street sprinkling business in 1898, but continuing the trucking business until 1915, when he purchased the homestead farm on which he was born, and returned to Bangor. He has since then cultivated the old farm, and in connection with agriculture conducts a teaming business.

Mr. Frutchey married Mary Elizabeth Peter, daughter of Carl and Elizabeth (Jostin) Peter, her parents both born in Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Frutchey are the parents of six children: Florence E., a graduate nurse of New York City; Carl W., a graduate of high school in New York City, class of 1917; Margaret E. S., a graduate of Bangor High School, class of 1919; Irene C., died in infancy; Marie A., a student in Bangor High School; and Ralph P.

**JESSE COLLINS KANE**—When the Chipman Knitting Mills came to Easton they were soon followed by Jesse C. Kane, their present, capable superintendent, who had formerly been connected with that company in the Philadelphia plant. Mr. Kane has since made his home in Easton, where he is well known and deeply respected. He is a grandson of James Kane, and a son of John L. Kane, both of whom were residents of Philadelphia.

James Kane, a contractor of the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, having lost considerable money through bank failures, decided to leave the city and settle in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, although Philadelphia had long been his home. His father came to Philadelphia from the north of Ireland prior to the Revolution, and fought in that war on the side of the Colonies. He married an English lady. James Kane, after leaving Philadelphia, located at Port Carbon, in Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, and there died. John L. Kane, son of James Kane, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1828, and there died in 1914. He was a bricklayer by trade, a good mechanic and a good citizen. He married Rachael Collins, born in Philadelphia in 1836, and died there in 1914, daughter of Caleb and Annie Collins, her parents both members of the Society of Friends. Caleb Collins was a son of Caleb Collins, also a Quaker, who settled in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, after his arrival from England, he leaving his native land on account of the persecution Quakers were subjected to. John L. and Rachael (Collins) Kane were the parents of seven children: John, died at Port Carbon, Pennsylvania, aged nineteen years; Anna, died aged seventeen years; George, died aged nineteen years; Christopher, died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, aged forty-eight years; Jesse Collins, of further mention; Carrie, married John Mair, of Philadelphia; and Sarah, married Louis Zyers, of Collingwood, New Jersey.

Jesse Collins Kane, youngest son of John L. and Rachael (Collins) Kane, was born at Port Carbon, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, June 15, 1866, and in 1877 his parents moved to Philadelphia, where he was educated and grew to manhood. When thirteen years of age he began working, during his vacations from public school, in a comb factory in Philadelphia, and at the



age of fifteen found employment in a hosiery mill operated by William V. Gunn. He began in the hosiery mill as a general utility boy, and there remained for some time, gaining a familiar acquaintance with several departments of the mill. From hosiery he passed to rug manufacture, being in the employ of the Bromley Rug Manufacturing Company until 1886. In that year he entered the employ of the Chipman Knitting Mills, beginning as a knitter in their Philadelphia plant. In 1896 he moved to Easton and was made foreman of the knitting department of the Easton plant, then newly organized. One building only was then completed, and that has since undergone many changes while others erected later have been greatly enlarged. The capacity of the mill in 1896 was four hundred dozen daily, now the number of dozens manufactured is three thousand five hundred. Mr. Kane continued as foreman until 1913, then was advanced to the rank of superintendent of the Easton plant. He has thoroughly mastered every detail of the business he superintends, and has won his way to that responsible position from the bottom. Industry and energy have kept him constantly on the road to greater responsibility, and when promotion came he was ready and waiting his opportunity. Mr. Kane was reared in the Methodist Episcopal church, and is a Republican in his politics. His fraternal orders are the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Patriotic Order Sons of America.

Mr. Kane married, in Philadelphia, March 13, 1899, Elizabeth Pichetty, of Philadelphia, daughter of Barclay and Mary Pichetty.

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**OLIVER LA BAR**—Before 1730 three brothers, Peter, Charles and Abraham LaBar, came from France to Pennsylvania, landing in Philadelphia. From there they made their way up the Delaware river to a point which they believed beyond the limits of civilization, and there located a tract of land and built a log cabin. The site of that cabin is now, less than two centuries later, about one-half mile south of the village of Slateford. These LaBars were the first to clear land north of the mouth of the Lehigh, but they became very friendly with the Indians, who furnished them needed articles and also taught them something of the Indian language. The LaBars all married, but finding other settlers coming in, they moved north of the Blue mountains, where they permanently settled. Several years later, George LaBar, a son of Peter, returned south of the mountain and settled near the LaBar log cabin built by his father and uncles. There he lived to the great age of one hundred and six years, his son George, however, dying in 1874, aged one hundred and eleven years and nine months. There are many LaBar descendants living in Mount Bethel township, and north of the mountain in Monroe county.

Oliver LaBar, Bangor's eminent citizen and leading business man, is a great-grandson of Isaac LaBar, born in Upper Mount Bethel township, where he later became a farmer and for some years proprietor of the old Slatington Hotel. This was in the olden times, when logs were rafted down the Delaware river, and in this work he also had a part. Isaac LaBar was a son of Peter LaBar, and was of the second generation of his family in Pennsylvania.

Samuel LaBar, son of Isaac, and grandson of Peter LaBar, was born in Upper Mount Bethel, and there followed agriculture all his life. He was a man of enterprise, and when the First National Bank of Bangor was organized, he was elected to a membership of the first board of directors.

Reuben H. LaBar, son of Samuel LaBar, was born in Upper Mount Bethel township, and there devoted his life to agriculture. He had other interests, however, and when the First National Bank was chartered he was one of the original subscribers to the stock and served many years as a director. It is a matter of interest to know that the president of that bank, Oliver LaBar, is a son of Reuben H., and a grandson of Samuel, who was one of the first directors.





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Reuben H. LaBar married Catherine Paff, and they were the parents of three children: Oliver, of further mention; Grace, married George Ward, of Easton, Pennsylvania; and Laura, who died aged sixteen years.

Oliver LaBar, only son of Reuben H. and Catherine (Paff) LaBar, was born at the home farm in Upper Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, May 2, 1868. He remained at the home farm, his father's assistant, until of legal age, then came to Bangor, where he entered the employ of the First National Bank as bookkeeper. This was in 1889, and from that time his service has been continuous. He had obtained a good education in the district school, and he had still further improved himself by self-study, so that when he came to the bank he was fully equipped to fulfill all the requirements of his position. For six years he continued in the book-keeping department, then, in 1895, was appointed teller, a post he filled until 1901, when he was chosen cashier. Six years were passed at the cashier's desk. In 1907 he was elected president of the bank that he entered fresh from the farm eighteen years earlier. This rapid rise from the bottom to the top of the ladder of banking success is the truest test of the quality of Mr. LaBar's capabilities, and proves him to have been honorable, ambitious and deserving, else he could not have achieved the success he has. He is also president and a large stockholder of the Bangor Water Company; organized and is an officer in the Rosato Water Company, and interested in the South Easton and Blue Mountain Consolidated Water Company; and assisted in organizing the Pennsylvania and Sterling Silk companies. He has other banking interests, and also interests in the slate quarrying companies of Bangor and vicinity. In politics he is a Democrat, and for the past four years, 1915-19, has been a member of the Board of Prison Inspectors.

Mr. LaBar married Mary C. Miller, daughter of Isaac F. and Maria Hester Miller. Mr. and Mrs. LaBar are the parents of a son, Paul R. LaBar, now a student in the Bangor High School.

**FRANK J. GROMAN**—When Reuben E. Groman came to South Bethlehem about the year 1870, he was a skilled bricklayer, and shortly after his arrival he began business for himself as a contractor and brick manufacturer. He continued in business until his death in 1904, but the name is perpetuated in business circles by his three sons: Frank J., Thomas H. and Charles H. Groman, prominent building contractors of the city of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Reuben E. was a son of Charles, son of Samuel, son of Samuel (1) Groman, who was born in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, of German parentage. He moved from Lower Saucon to the State of New York in 1835, and there continued farming operations until his retirement several years prior to his death at an advanced age. Samuel Groman married Maria Wagner, born July 28, 1778, died April 10, 1854, and was buried in the cemetery of the East Salisbury church in Lehigh county. They were the parents of seven children: Charles, Samuel (2), John, Jacob, Hannah, Mrs. Griesemer and Polly Meikel. Jacob, Hannah and Mrs. Griesemer, with their families, moved to Wabash county, Illinois. John, the third son, lived in New Jersey, unmarried; Samuel (2) is the ancestor of the Gromans of Bethlehem.

Samuel (2) Groman, second son of Samuel and Maria (Wagner) Groman, was a farmer of Lower Saucon township, Northampton county. He married Catherine Gangawere, and they were the parents of eight children: Charles, head of the next generation in this branch; John, David, Joseph, Solomon, Jacob, Elemira, married George Moyer; and Catherine, who married Jeremiah Schwart.

Charles Groman, eldest son of Samuel (2) and Catherine (Gangawere) Groman, was born at the homestead in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, October 5, 1805. His mature years were spent in



Salisbury township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in farming until his death, August 30, 1877. He married Elizabeth Gangawere, born April 19, 1805, died March 1, 1877. They were both members of the East Salisbury church and were buried in the cemetery attached to that church. Charles and Elizabeth (Gangawere) Groman were the parents of eleven children: 1. Sarah, born September 22, 1822, married Jacob Blank, who was killed in a railroad accident in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; they were the parents of ten children, one of them, Charles F. Blank, the prosperous miller of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. 2. Maria, born January 14, 1828, married Charles Holman, of Allentown, and had four children: John, James, Anna and Oscar F. 3. William, born October 14, 1829, married Amelia Rhodes, of South Whitehall township, Lehigh county; children: Oliver D.; William; Laura, married Rev. William Cope; and Alice, married Marcus Focht. 4. Reuben E., of further mention. 5. James A., born November 9, 1833, married Sophia Steiner, and they were the parents of seven children: Judge Clinton A., presiding judge of Lehigh county courts; James E. (2); Andora, married John P. Quier; Blanch E., married Robert Eck; Emma, married William Deibert; Wallace C.; and Harry L. 6. Robert, born January 29, 1836, served in the Union Army during three years of the Civil War. 7. David, died young. 8. Louisa, died young; 9. Lovinia, married Reuben Schooll. 10. Amanda, married Henry S. Miller. 11. Clarissa, married Edward H. Buchecker.

Reuben E. Groman, second son and fourth child of Charles and Elizabeth (Gangawere) Groman, was born at the homestead in Salisbury township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, November 27, 1831, died in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, September 15, 1904, after an attack of typhoid fever which weakened his heart. His youth was spent at the home farm, and on arriving at a suitable age he left home and learned the bricklayer's trade. After becoming a master workman he engaged in contracting and brick manufacturing in Salisbury, located in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and there from 1870 until his death, thirty-four years later, he was engaged as a contractor. All his life he was an ardent, active Democrat, was elected a commissioner of Northampton county in 1893, and was a member of the Reformed church. He became widely known through his contracting activities and public service, and wherever known he was genuinely respected and well liked.

Reuben E. Groman married, in Allentown, Pennsylvania, May 29, 1852, Rev. Mr. Sellers officiating, Rebecca Bush, of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania. They were the parents of three sons and seven daughters, one of the latter dying in infancy: Frank J., of further mention; Thomas Harvey, born September 8, 1857, a sketch of whom follows; Charles H., born January 23, 1862, a sketch of whom follows; Mary, married Edgar Sanborn; Lillian, deceased, married Charles Weiss; Elva, residing in Bethlehem; Mabel, deceased; Laura, deceased; and Sarah deceased, married Milton Laufer. When the sons, Frank J., Thomas H. and Charles H., arrived at proper age, they learned the father's trade, helped in the brickyard, and finally, in 1880, the father and three sons became partners. Henceforth an extensive contracting and building business was transacted. In 1904 death removed the father, and together the sons operated until 1916, when Thomas H. retired to engage in private business. Frank J. and Charles H. continued the business which has been in the Groman name for nearly a half century. This firm has the distinction of having built the mammoth plant of the Ingersoll-Sargent Company at Easton, the largest building contract ever awarded in this district. They also built the filtration plant at the Bethlehem Water Works and the State Hospital at Rittersville, Pennsylvania, and on every hand are monuments to the skill and ability of this firm of builders, father and three sons. The site of the old brickyard established by Reuben E. Groman is now covered with handsome residences that the firm of Groman Brothers erected and sold.

Frank J. Groman, eldest son of Reuben E. and Rebecca (Bush) Groman, was born at Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, January 15, 1856, and





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there attended the public school. After the removal of his parents to South Bethlehem, he attended the old Ray School, and well recalls that in July, 1863, when Lee was reported as having invaded Gettysburg there was great excitement in Bethlehem, and on the school day, which was one of the three days on which the battle of Gettysburg was fought, the school children were sent home and the school closed. After leaving school, Frank J. learned the bricklayer's trade under his father's instruction, and in 1880 he and his two brothers were admitted to a partnership with their father, and together carried on an extensive contracting and building business. The father was the first to retire when his last illness laid him low in 1904, but as Groman Brothers the firm continued their successful building, real estate and contracting operations until 1916, when Thomas H. Groman withdrew, leaving Frank J. and Charles H. at the head of the business, which they still conduct. Frank J. Groman served as councilman from the First Ward, and all his life has been a supporter of the Democratic party. In religious preference he is a Presbyterian.

Mr. Groman married, in 1876, Alice M. Kratzer, who died in 1911, daughter of Jacob and Lucinda (Smith) Kratzer, of an old Moravian family. Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Groman are the parents of six children: Ruby M., married Sinclair W. Childs, and has children: Franklin Groman, Sinclair W. C., Edgar and Lela; Harvey Jacob, now deceased, married Bessie Buchman, and has a son, Joseph; Charles F., married Ann Schafer, and has two children: Pauline and James Franklin; James R. W., now serving with the medical department of the United States Army; Rebecca M., residing at home; Alice M., married Arthur Faltz, and has a child, Doris.

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**THOMAS HARVEY GROMAN**—Thomas Harvey Groman, second son of Reuben E. and Rebecca (Bush) Groman (q.v.), was born in Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, September 8, 1857, and there attended public school until the removal of his parents to South Bethlehem, where he completed his studies. He learned the bricklayer's trade under his father, and with him continued as his assistant in his contracting and brick manufacturing until 1880, when Reuben E. Groman and his three capable sons formed a partnership which endured until the father's death in 1904. Groman Brothers then conducted business until 1916, the three brothers, Frank J., Thomas H. and Charles H. comprising the firm. In 1916, Thomas H. withdrew and established a crushed stone business, to which he has since devoted himself, owning stone beds, crushing machinery and teams. His new business is a prosperous one, for the demand for crushed stone was constantly increasing.

Mr. Groman is a Democrat in his political faith, and was appointed mercantile appraiser for Northampton county. He is a member of the Reformed church and of the Masonic order, affiliated with H. Stanley Goodwin Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Ezra Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bethlehem Council, Royal and Select Masters, all Bethlehem bodies; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar, of Easton; and all bodies of Caldwell Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is also a noble of Lulu Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Philadelphia. He is a member of the Northampton County Country Club and other Bethlehem organizations.

Mr. Groman married (first) Lizzie Brobst, who died May 22, 1911, daughter of Benjamin and Caroline Brobst. They were the parents of three children: Helen May, married George Brossman; Margaret, married William Cummers; Reba, married Richard Dudley Jordan, and they have a son, Richard Dudley (2). Mr. Groman married (second), March 4, 1914, Mrs. Clara Horn, widow of Harvey Horn. The family home is at No. 427 West street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

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**CHARLES H. GROMAN**—Charles H. Groman, third son of Reuben E. and Rebecca (Bush) Groman (q.v.), was born in Allentown, Lehigh county,



Pennsylvania, January 23, 1862. He began his education in the public schools, but when he was about eight years of age, South Bethlehem became the family home and there he completed his studies. The family policy was for the boys to follow the father's trade, consequently, when school days were over, he joined his brothers and learned the bricklayer's trade. He was admitted with his brothers, Frank J. and Thomas H., to a partnership in the contracting and brick manufacturing business in 1880, and he has continued a member of the firm, which in 1904 was reduced to three members by the death of Reuben E. Groman, and in 1916 to two by the withdrawal of Thomas H. Groman. Frank J. and Charles H. still conduct the business, which is one of the successful and substantial contracting and building organizations of this section.

Like his father and brothers, all of whom served their community in official position, Charles H. Groman is an ardent Democrat, and from 1899 until 1902 was treasurer of Northampton county. He has also served as a member of the Common Council for about nine years, and is rated one of the progressive public-spirited men of the city. He is a member of the Moravian church, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of other organizations, business, political and social.

Charles H. Groman married Mary L. Bachman, daughter of Milton L. and Caroline (Geyer) Bachman. They are the parents of a son, George Thurman Groman, now a machinist's mate in the United States Navy. He married Hannah Dwyer, and has three children: Mary Louise, Rita and Charles H. (2).

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**GLENN GEORGE KLOCK, M.D.**—Son of an educator, who at the time of the birth of his son, Glenn George, was living in Emporia, Kansas, Dr. Klock saw a great deal of the country in his youth, as his father's engagements took him to various localities. It was not until he had attained his M.D. in 1910, that Easton became his home, and here he has won public confidence and a satisfactory as well as a satisfied clientele. He is a son of James E. Klock, Ph.D., whose active life was devoted to the cause of education and the profession of pedagogy. During his career as an educator he taught in various places and institutions; was superintendent of public instruction in the city of Leavenworth, Kansas, Helena, Mont.; was for many years head of the New Hampshire State Normal School, and is now living retired in the State of Florida, after a lifetime of active usefulness. He married Mary Roberts, and they are the parents of Dr. Glenn George Klock, of Easton, Pennsylvania.

Dr. Glenn George Klock was born in Emporia, Kansas. When the time came to begin his education, the family was living in Plymouth, New Hampshire, and there his education was begun in the public schools, finishing that course with graduation from high school, class of 1902. He then entered preparatory school at Powder Point, Duxbury, Massachusetts, whence he was graduated in 1903. He then entered the New Hampshire State Normal School, of which his father was head, and from there he was graduated, class of 1906. Deciding upon the medical profession, he prepared in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, and received his M.D. with the graduating class of 1910. He located in Easton the same year, opening an office for private practice and serving as resident physician to Easton Hospital. Each year since graduation Dr. Klock has supplemented his college training by post-graduate courses, and is a thoroughly well informed physician, having gone deep into the science of his profession. He is a member of the Northampton Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Association, and Physicians' Protective Association. He is devoted to his profession and has no other outside interests.

Dr. Klock married Dorothy, daughter of John Crater, of Easton, and they are the parents of a son, James Glenn, born in Easton, April 24, 1918.



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**GEORGE LAWRENCE XANDER**—A native son of Easton, Pennsylvania, Mr. Xander has spent most of his life within the limits of the city of his birth. He is an honored member of the Northampton bar, also of New York City, and Supreme and Superior courts of Pennsylvania, his father, Jonathan Xander, a prominent contractor and business man of Easton in his day.

George L. Xander, son of Jonathan and Anna H. Xander, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, and there finished public school courses. He then entered Lafayette College, and shortly after graduation became principal of the South Bethlehem High School. He prepared for the profession of law in the office of Hon. R. E. James, and partly at Columbia University Law School, and was admitted to the bar of Northampton county in 1886, and has since been continuously engaged in the practice of his profession in Easton. He was admitted to the State and Federal courts of the district in due season, his practice now extending to all. He has also been admitted to practice in the courts of the city of New York. He is a member of the legal societies, the Jacksonian Club, and other political organizations, and in politics is a Democrat. In 1912, Mr. Xander was the unsuccessful candidate of his party for district attorney at the party convention.

**JOHN DANIEL HOFFMAN** John Daniel Hoffman, a leading member of the bar of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and one of the influential citizens of the city of Bethlehem, came to this city at an early age with his parents and sister, Emma Victoria, and has resided here continuously since the spring of 1872. He is a son of Michael Samuel and Lucy Ann (Fehnel) Hoffman. The father was born at Siegfried, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, September 29, 1833, and although coming from a long-lived family, died on January 8, 1889, at the age of sixty-five years. He was engaged for a number of years as a stove dealer and tinsmith. He became very prominent in the community of his adoption, and was much respected and esteemed by his fellow citizens. One of his brothers, John Hoffman, was a veteran of the Civil War, having fought from the beginning to the end of that momentous struggle in the army of General Grant. Mrs. Hoffman, Sr., who also comes of a long-lived family, still makes her home in this region. Her brother-in-law, David Kraus, is also a Civil War veteran, and now makes his home in Oklahoma, where he is still active at the age of seventy-six.

John Daniel Hoffman attended the public schools of Bethlehem as a lad, and a little later went to the Bethlehem High School, where he was one of the best pupils in the institution and was class valedictorian at his graduation in 1878. He then entered Swartz's Academy, at Bethlehem, and graduated there in 1879, having completed his preparation for college. He next entered Lehigh University, at Bethlehem, and after the usual academic course of four years was graduated with the class of 1883. Mr. Hoffman had, in the meantime, determined to adopt the law as a profession, and with this end in view entered the office of Gen. W. E. Dorster, a sketch of whom appears later in this work, as a student-at-law. For three years he remained there, studying his chosen subject, and to such good purpose that at the end of that time he passed his bar examinations and was admitted to practice at the Northampton county bar. Subsequently, Mr. Hoffman took a post-graduate course at Lehigh University, and was awarded the honorary degree of Master of Arts by the institution in 1889. From that time to the present, Mr. Hoffman has continued in active practice, and has now reached a position of leadership in legal circles here. To this day he remains an ardent student of the law, and is universally regarded as an authority on the theory and practice of the profession. He has also the rarer talent of applying his theoretical knowledge most brilliantly to the practical legal problems that are submitted to him, so that he is one of the most capable men before the bar in this part of



the State, and much of the important litigation of the region is entrusted to him. Mr. Hoffman is a Republican in politics, and was his party's candidate for the State Legislature in the autumn of 1908, and in 1914 for the United States Congress. For four terms he served as borough solicitor, and did excellent service to the community during those years. Ever since his early youth, Mr. Hoffman has been a devoted student of the classics, and even today, in the midst of a practice that makes the most insistent demands upon his time and energy, he still seeks and finds his recreation in this scholarly avocation. Mr. Hoffman is a member of the State Bar Association and the American Bar Association, but although a man of strong social instincts, he is not a member of any clubs, and the only fraternity to which he ever has belonged is the Phi Beta Kappa of his college. In his religious belief he is an adherent of the Moravian church, the town of Bethlehem having been founded by members of this faith in early Colonial times, and he has been always an active and enthusiastic worker in the church there.

John Daniel Hoffman was united in marriage, August 6, 1905, with Minnie I. Schadt, a daughter of John and Annie (Berger) Schadt, old and highly respected residents of Allentown, Pennsylvania. Mr. Schadt was for many years a blacksmith at that place, and was noted throughout the country about as an artist at his work. He designed and fashioned a set of artistic horse-shoes which he presented to President Cleveland. He is now retired from business, but still makes his home at Allentown at the advanced age of eighty years. His wife, who was Annie Berger before her marriage, was a member of the pioneer families in this region. Her death occurred in the month of November, 1903. Seven children were born to them, of whom one died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman are the parents of one child, Michael John Samuel, born May 19, 1906, and now a student at the Moravian Preparatory School. Mrs. Hoffman is a member of the Reformed church.

**WILLIAM HUGHES**—When Hugh Hughes, a young Welshman, came to this country from his native Wales, he located in Warren county, New Jersey, and having been an iron worker in Wales he chose the iron ore district of New Jersey in which to start a forge and make iron. The location of that forge is now the village of Hughesville, and there prior to and during the Revolution, Hugh Hughes made iron and managed his farm. He married a Kentucky girl, Martha Breckinbridge, and both were buried in the Hughes burial plot on what is now the William Hughes farm in Warren county, New Jersey. Hugh Hughes was naturally a prominent figure of his day, an iron master, being a person of consequence, and in addition he became possessed of considerable real estate which passed to his sons, Dr. John and Isaac. He was the great-grandfather of William Hughes, now living a retired life in Easton, Pennsylvania, the line of descent being through the founder's son, Isaac, his son, Henry G., his son, William.

Isaac Hughes was born at Hughesville, Warren county, New Jersey, and there spent his life as a farmer, inheriting lands from his father. He married Rachel Gulich, of Warren county, and they were the parents of: Hugh; Henry G., of whom further mention will be made; Joseph; Harriet, married John G. Fine; Mary, married Burrough Riley; Martha, married John Robbins. The family were members of Greenwich Presbyterian Church and faithful in the performance of their Christian obligations.

Henry G. Hughes, son of Isaac and Rachel (Gulich) Hughes, was born at the homestead in Warren county, New Jersey, there spent his long life of ninety-one years and there died. He married Mary B. Stewart and they were the parents of six children: Isaac; Samuel; William, of whom further mention will be made; Sarah, married Isaac Zeller; Ann, never married; and Edward, deceased.

William Hughes, of the fourth generation of the family in the United



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States, son of Henry G. and Mary B. (Stewart) Hughes, was born at the homestead at Hughesville, Warren county, New Jersey, August 27, 1837, and is now living retired in the city of Easton, Pennsylvania, an octogenarian, having just completed his eighty-first year. He remained at the home farm during his minority and obtained his education in the district schools. He was variously engaged in Hughesville until 1869, then came to Pennsylvania, locating in Easton, where he spent two and a half years as a grocer's clerk. In 1872 he engaged in business for himself as a grocer, and for about twenty years he very successfully prosecuted that enterprise, then retired. During his active years he took a deep interest in public affairs and in the church, his public spirit and progressive nature keeping him in close touch with the march of improvement. He prospered in his business and won the confidence of his patrons, who were also his friends. He is a Republican in politics, and in religious faith a Presbyterian.

William Hughes married (first) Lizzie Purcell, of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, who died July 29, 1884. He married (second), February 16, 1887, Emma McGraw, of Milford, New Jersey, daughter of John and Mary (White) McGraw, both of whom died while their daughter was quite young. By the second marriage Mr. Hughes has a son, William Stewart Hughes, born in Easton, Pennsylvania, March 7, 1892. He was educated in the public schools of Easton, preparatory schools, and Bliss Electrical School at Washington, District of Columbia, and is now, 1918, in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Works, an inspector. He married, April 17, 1917, Cecilia Fullmer, of Easton, and resides in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. The home of William and Emma (McGraw) Hughes is No. 3 South Front street, Easton, Pennsylvania.

**ALEXANDER SMITH**—As president of the Alexander Smith & Son Warping & Weaving Company, Mr. Smith held an important position in the business life of his city. He is a son of Robert Smith, of Renfrewshire, a maritime county of Scotland, famous as the seat of a vast shipbuilding industry located on the River Clyde. Robert Smith was the son of James and Sarah (Barr) Smith, of Renfrewshire, where Robert was born on October 16, 1828. He learned the weaver's trade and other branches of mill work, and for a time was engaged in business for himself as a manufacturer. After coming to the United States he established a home in Paterson, New Jersey, but later went to the State of Vermont, and engaged in farming until his death, September 19, 1882. His wife, Elizabeth (Scobie) Smith, was also born in Renfrewshire, and died in Paterson, New Jersey, in 1908, aged seventy-nine years. They were the parents of twelve children, four of whom are living: Robert, of Paterson, New Jersey; Alexander, of further mention; Margaret; and Sarah.

Alexander Smith was born in Paisley, one of the principal towns of Renfrewshire, Scotland, July 30, 1862, and there lived until 1875, when he was brought to the United States by his parents. They arrived in New York, May 20, 1875, on the Anchor Line steamship *Bolivia*. From 1865 until coming to the United States his parents lived in Glasgow, and there he attended a private school taught by Miss Cochran, later going under the instruction of Miss Mason in another school. Although but a lad of fifteen when he arrived in the United States, he was already a worker, for at the age of thirteen he had been employed in a woolen mill four miles distant from his home, which distance he walked every day to and from his work, hours beginning at 6 A. M. and continuing for twelve hours with intermission for breakfast and dinner. In Scotland he was later employed as a telegraph messenger boy, and in Paterson, New Jersey, his first American home, he was employed in a cotton mill, becoming a weaver, operating three looms. He later was a silk weaver, then a warper, becoming foreman of warpers at the Stewart Silk Mills, continuing in Paterson until 1903, then removed to Easton, Pennsylvania,

where he was employed in his own line of business until 1913, when he began business for himself as a weaver and warper, the first plant being in a building at Front and Ferry streets. The business prospered, and a year later, in October, 1914, he built the present plant of the company, located at Center and Glendale streets. The business is operated as the Alexander Smith & Son Company, his son, Robert A. Smith, an equal partner and general manager of the plant. Mr. Smith is master of the business he conducts, and is a recognized authority on its details. He is a member of the South Presbyterian Church; is a Republican in politics; is affiliated with Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; and Passaic Lodge No. 331, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Paterson, New Jersey.

Mr. Smith married, in Paterson, New Jersey, Agnes Haytock, daughter of Benjamin and Helen (Richardson) Haytock, of Paterson. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are the parents of three children: 1. Robert Alexander, whose sketch follows. 2. Benjamin Haytock, a member of Battery C, Fifty-ninth Regiment of Artillery, C. A. C., was with his command in Flanders, overseas. 3. Helen Richardson, now a student at the Pennsylvania State School at Westchester. The family home is located at No. 809 Grant street, Easton, Pennsylvania.

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**ROBERT ALEXANDER SMITH**—Now general manager of the Alexander Smith & Son Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, weavers and warpsters, Robert A. Smith has the advantage of close association with his capable father, a practical weaver and manufacturer of long standing.

Robert Alexander Smith, eldest child of Alexander and Agnes (Haytock) Smith, was born in Paterson, New Jersey. He was educated in the public schools of Paterson and Easton, and in the preparatory school at Mount Herman, Massachusetts. He then entered the textile business, and in association with his father owns and operates the Alexander Smith & Son weaving and warping plant, of which Robert A. Smith is general manager. He is an energetic, capable young business man, and devoted to his manufacturing interests. In politics he is a Republican, but takes no active part in public affairs.

Mr. Smith married, in Easton, May 10, 1913, Corinne Miller, of Easton, and they are the parents of two children: Agnes Ellen and Robert Alexander (2).

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**JACOB WILLIAM KLINE, M.D.**—Since graduation, in 1892, Dr. Kline has continuously practiced his profession at Martins Creek, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, there developing a very large practice in the village and the surrounding county. In 1918 he moved his residence to Easton, but continues his office and practice at Martins Creek as before. He is a son of Benjamin M. Kline, born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, his family early settling at Kline's Corners, in that county. Benjamin M. Kline located in Easton when a young man, and here for many years was engaged in the wholesale marble and granite business. He married Sarah Louise Knauss, daughter of William Thomas Knauss, of a pioneer family of Nazareth, Pennsylvania. The Knauss family was founded in America by Ludwig and Anna Margaretha Knauss, who came from Wetleravia, Germany, in 1723, settling in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. They were accompanied to Pennsylvania by their sons Johannes, Heinrich and Sebastian Heinrich Knauss, the last-named born in Germany, October 6, 1714. He settled at Emaus, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and married Anna Catherine Transue, who bore him thirteen children. He gave the ground upon which the Moravian church and schoolhouse were built, and was an honorable, hard-working farmer all his adult life. His third son, Johannes Knauss, born in Emaus, November 6, 1748,







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married Catherine Romig, and their second son, Johannes Knauss, born May 22, 1775, married Maria Theresa Tool, and had eight children. Their third son, William Thomas Knauss, born February 12, 1816, was the father of Sarah Louisa Knauss, wife of Benjamin M. Kline, of previous mention. Mr. and Mrs. Kline were the parents of three children, the youngest and only survivor being Dr. Jacob W. Kline, of Martins Ferry and Easton, Pennsylvania.

Jacob W. Kline was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, February 23, 1869. He was educated in the public schools of Easton, Lerch's Academy and Lafayette College, completing the freshman and sophomore years, class of 1891. He then left Lafayette and entered Medico-Chirurgical Medical College, Philadelphia, and was graduated M.D., class of 1892. During his senior year he was assistant to Dr. La Place, of the Medico-Chirurgical Medical College, and following graduation he at once began practice at Martins Creek, Northampton county. For more than a quarter of a century he has been in continuous general practice there, known and loved in that community as only the country doctor of long years of service is loved in that community. For many years he was surgeon to the Lehigh & New England railroad, and the Lehigh Navigation & Electric Company; was medical inspector of the public schools of Lower Bethel township, and ministers to the bodily ills of a large clientele. During his long residence at Martins Creek, Dr. Kline has been in the forefront of all civic movements, and for twenty years served as a member of the school board. He is a member of the local and State medical associations; Easton Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Improved Order of Red Men; and Third Street Reformed Church of Easton.

Dr. Kline married, September 2, 1891, Kate L. Laubach, daughter of Owen and Elizabeth (Gross) Laubach, of Easton, and a member of an old and prominent county family. Dr. and Mrs. Kline are the parents of two children: Sarah Elizabeth, who married Walter Hutchinson, of Easton, and they have a daughter, Frances Louise Hutchinson; Edgar Laubach, student in Lafayette College, class of 1919, enlisted with the Lafayette Unit, United States Ambulance Corps, and was on active duty for one year, overseas with the American Expeditionary Forces. The family home in Easton is at No. 249 Spring Garden street. Dr. Kline, in his college days, was a football and baseball player on one of the class teams, and has never outlived his love for out-of-door recreation.

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**EDWARD GEORGE RANKEY**—Over a quarter of a century ago Edward G. Rankey and his brother, Francis O., started a paper box manufactory in Bethlehem, the original plant occupying the same site as the present one. The business then started was small in extent, but prospered from its beginning and has grown in size and volume with each succeeding year.

Edward G. Rankey is a son of John Christian Rankey, a pioneer settler in South Bethlehem, who was born in Saxony, Germany, August 2, 1830, died in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, December 22, 1902. John C. Rankey came to the United States in the spring of 1852, located in Pennsylvania, and later was employed by the Lehigh Valley railroad, then under construction. After leaving the Lehigh he located in Lockport, Pennsylvania, there conducting a blacksmith shop for ten years. He then resided in South Bethlehem for a time, then moved to Berlinsville, Pennsylvania. In 1872 he returned to South Bethlehem, where he resided until his death. He was one of the earliest blacksmiths in South Bethlehem, and there, where best known, he was highly esteemed and appreciated as a man of integrity and ability. He retired from his trade to become proprietor of the Lehigh Valley Hotel, and later was manager of the Marshall House. At the time of his death he was president of the Mountain Water Company. John C. Rankey married Emma

Burkhardt, who was born in Baden, Germany, and died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, January 21, 1913. Children: Josephine, married C. A. Buck, vice-president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and they are the parents of nine children; Alvin Marcus, a blacksmith, now operating the shop owned by his father forty-five years ago; Gertrude Karolyne, married Paul Starkey, president of the Harrisburg Pipe & Pipe Bending Company, and they are the parents of four children; Francis O., died in April, 1913, having long been in business with his brother, Edward G., he married Celia Markle and left one daughter; Louisa, married Elmer Smith, and died January 25, 1916, leaving five children; Edward George, of further mention.

Edward George Rankey was born in South Bethlehem, June 14, 1873, and was there educated in the public schools. He early became interested in box manufacturing, and in 1892, at the age of nineteen years, began business as a box manufacturer, his brother, Francis O., being his partner until the latter's death in 1913. The plant is a large and important one, thorough equipped with modern box-making machinery, and well managed by its capable owner.

Mr. Rankey is a Democrat in politics; a school director of the borough of Fountain Hill since 1915; member of the Knights of Malta and a past commander; member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, and St. Peter's Lutheran Church of South Bethlehem.

Mr. Rankey married, March 23, 1909, Karolyn A. Amman, daughter of Gottlieb and Anna (Giering) Amman, she a graduate nurse, class of 1909, of Lenox Hill Hospital, formerly the German Hospital of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Rankey are the parents of three children: Emma Karolyn, born April 24, 1910; John Edward, born January 8, 1912; and Edward John, born March 26, 1918.

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**ALEXANDER MORRISON, SR.**—Matthew Morrison was born in the North of Ireland, and came to the United States when a young man, settling in Glendon, Pennsylvania, where he died. He married, in Glendon, Anna Paul, and they were the parents of a family of seven children: Joseph, William, Mary Ann, James, Isabell, Alexander and Oliver.

Alexander Morrison, son of Matthew and Anna (Paul) Morrison, was born in 1850, and at a very early age left an orphan to the care of his brothers and sisters. He attended the Glendon district school, and as an engineer he is now running over the site of the house in which he was born, the Morrison house built by his father, the first erected in Glendon, being sold to the Lehigh Valley road when that road was built through Glendon. His first work as a boy was in driving mules on a tow-path of the canal, and until a young man in his twenties he continued a canal boatman, operating three boats between Glendon and Buck Mountain. He then exchanged the old for the new method of transportation, and entered railroad service. He began as a fireman, and within a short time promotion came, and for thirty-eight years he rode on the right-hand side of the cab. As an engineer he has proved faithful and efficient, always to be relied upon and the soul of loyalty. Forty years have been spent in the service of the Lehigh, and soon the age of retirement under company rule will be reached, and Mr. Morrison's name will grace that roll of honor.

Alexander Morrison married, in Easton, Martha Cowles, who died at their home No. 731 Milton avenue, Easton, June 21, 1916, daughter of Friend and Emma Cowles, of Easton. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison were long-time members of the Presbyterian church. In politics he is a Democrat. Children: Bertha, married Edward Shaneberger; Mary, married Joseph Winters; Carrie, married Forrest Hahn; James; Charles A.; Lydia, married M. V. Everett; Alexander, a sketch of whom follows; William; Helen, married Fred A. Weiskoff.

**ALEXANDER MORRISON, JR.**—Alexander Morrison, Jr., son of Alexander and Martha (Cowles) Morrison, was born at the family home in Berwick street, South Easton, Pennsylvania, August 10, 1891, and began his school attendance in a little country school in Easton's West End. In 1899 his parents moved to Lehighon, Pennsylvania, in 1900 to Slatington, Pennsylvania, and in 1903 to Lansdowne, New Jersey, where he completed his education, to which the schools of all these towns had aided him in acquiring. He left school at the age of fourteen years, and from that time became self-supporting. He left home in 1905, came to Easton, secured a roundhouse position with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, and has since been in the employ of that company. He spent four years in work preparatory to accomplishing the first stage of his upward journey, promotion to the position of locomotive fireman. He rode on the left-hand side of the cab until December, 1915, when he exchanged the fireman's seat for the engineer's. While his official beginning as fireman was in 1909, he really fired an engine at the age of thirteen years, while living in Lansdowne, his father being the engineer. His first run as a regularly appointed fireman was between Lehighon, Pennsylvania, and Perth Amboy, New Jersey, a distance of one hundred and four miles, the engine No. 1456. His first run as engineer was made on Christmas Eve, 1915, between Easton and Allentown, Pennsylvania. He was a fireman before he was eighteen, and an engineer at twenty-four, his rapid progress due in a large measure to his strong liking for the work and a natural ability to comprehend and understand the principles which govern engine construction and operation. He was the third son to follow his father's example in the choice of an occupation, and since his entrance a younger brother, William, has become an engineer, making the fourth in the family. Mr. Morrison's present run is between Lehighon, Pennsylvania, and Jersey City, New Jersey. He is a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Mr. Morrison married, in Easton, February 24, 1910, Mae Irene Huff, born in Slatington, Pennsylvania, but later resided in Easton, where she was educated. She is a daughter of Calvin and Amanda (Kern) Huff, her father a painter, dying in Slatington when his daughter was but three years of age. Mrs. Amanda Huff married a second husband, O. E. Schaffer, of Easton. Calvin and Amanda (Kern) Huff were the parents of three children: Burton, of Easton; Pearl, a student at Pennsylvania State Normal School, at West Chester, Pennsylvania; and Mae Irene, wife of Alexander Morrison, Jr. Alexander and Mae Irene (Huff) Morrison are the parents of three children: Carl Oliver, Olive Mae and Vema Joyce Morrison. The family home is at No. 1012 Berwick street, Easton, and both the parents are members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

**FRANCIS PATRICK MCGINNIS**—Francis Patrick McGinnis, proprietor of the East End Marble & Granite Works of South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and one of the influential citizens of this place, is a native of the town of Chapman, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, born January 26, 1871. Mr. McGinnis is one of nine children born to John and Winnie (Houston) McGinnis, the parents being natives of Ireland, from which country they came to the United States in early youth. Mr. and Mrs. McGinnis, Sr., are now both deceased, their deaths having occurred, respectively, in the year 1890 at the age of fifty-four, and in 1914 at the age of seventy-two. Their nine children were as follows: Francis Patrick, with whose career we are here especially concerned; Michael, who died in the year 1907 at the age of twenty-seven; Mary, who became the wife of James Durning, who is employed in the position of janitor in the Quinn building at Bethlehem, and to whom she has borne eleven children; Kate, who became the wife of Michael McGouldrick, who is connected with the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and



to whom she has borne four children; Hannah, who became the wife of Thomas Haggerty, also connected with the Bethlehem Steel Works, and to whom she has borne four children; Winnie; John, now employed in the Bethlehem Steel Works, and married Mealie Kole, of Allentown, by whom he has had four children; Thomas, who follows the profession of music at Philadelphia; Lizzie, who became the wife of Peter Horn, who is employed as a boiler-maker at Scranton, Pennsylvania, and to whom she has borne two children.

Only the first few years of Francis Patrick McGinnis's life was spent at his native town of Chapman, his parents removing from that place and locating in South Bethlehem when he was still a small child. It was at the latter place that he received his education, attending for that purpose the public schools, where he showed marked ability as a student and the same quick and alert intelligence which has since characterized him in the serious business of life. Upon completing his studies at these institutions, Mr. McGinnis was apprentice to N. B. Harvey, who was engaged in the marble trade on a large scale at South Bethlehem, and here he learned that trade. He afterwards was employed by the Easton Granite Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, where he learned the granite trade under the supervision of Mr. Benjamin Kline, the superintendent thereof. After this period of apprenticeship, Mr. McGinnis worked as a journeyman in his craft for Mr. S. T. Mann, who was engaged in the stone business in Bucks county, and continued in his employ for a period of some ten years. But the young man was of a strongly ambitious nature, and it was his greatest desire to be engaged in business on his own account. This he was able to realize when in 1908 he withdrew from the establishment of Mr. Mann and, returning to South Bethlehem, opened his own establishment, now located at No. 418 Webster street. When Mr. McGinnis first established himself at South Bethlehem, his operations were conducted on a small scale, but since that time they have grown steadily and quickly to their present great proportions. He has made a specialty of tombstones and cemetery work generally, and now conducts one of the largest businesses of the kind in this region. He is well and favorably known throughout the community both for the excellent quality of his work and for the high standards of business ethics which he always maintains in the conduct of his establishment. He is in the best sense of the word a self-made man, and enjoys an enviable reputation with all his fellow citizens. Mr. McGinnis is a Democrat in politics, and is keenly interested in public questions and issues of all kinds, both local and general. His large business interests, however, render it impossible for him to take so active a part in public affairs as his talents and abilities would admirably fit him for, and he is quite unambitious for political preferment. Mr. McGinnis is a Roman Catholic in his religious belief, and attends the Holy Infancy Church of this denomination at South Bethlehem.

Francis Patrick McGinnis was united in marriage, August 25, 1892, with Alice Durning, a daughter of James and Catherine Durning, and a native of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Durning both came from County Clare, Ireland, and are now deceased. They were the parents of thirteen children. Mr. and Mrs. McGinnis are the parents of the following children: John J., who served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France; Kate, deceased; Ellen, deceased; Francis, deceased; Rose, deceased; James, a student in Holy Infancy Parochial School at Bethlehem; and Lawrence.

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**HARVEY WIEND FREEMAN**—Mr. Freeman's present position among the progressive and successful business men of Bethlehem is one that he owes solely to his own industry and perseverance, for it had its beginning only in his own thorough knowledge of his trade, plumbing, and his determination to rise above the position of journeyman plumber. Mr. Freeman is a son of



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Irving I. Freeman, a native of Allentown, Pennsylvania, a farmer of that vicinity, active in his calling and in the work of the Evangelical church. Irving I. Freeman married Emma Wiend, of Allentown, and they are the parents of: Elmer, a druggist, of Lansdale, Pennsylvania, married Florence Dawning, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, and has children; Mabel, married Frazier Sassaman, of Lansdale, an inspector in an ammunition plant of Philadelphia; Helen, lives at home; and Harvey Wiend, of whom further.

Harvey Wiend Freeman, son of Irving I. and Emma (Wiend) Freeman, was born in Reddington, Pennsylvania, July 22, 1892, and as a youth attended the public schools in the vicinity of his home. After completing his studies in Freemansburg High School he apprenticed himself to the plumber's trade under the instruction of P. Kiernan, of Bethlehem, for four years. At the end of this time he began independent business operations, his own industry and ability comprising his capital, and during the period in which he laid the foundation of his present prosperous business he was unsparing in the demands he made upon himself. So zealous was he for the success of his enterprise, and so loathe to incur any expenses that might be avoided, he walked back and forth between his home and his work, a distance of eight miles each way, to save traveling expenses. There could be but one result of such persistent efforts, and that is the achievement of a sound business position which Mr. Freeman, as a young man, enjoys. He employs at times as many as thirty men, and throughout the city is known as a capable and reliable business man. The prompt service and high grade of workmanship that so increased the demand for his services he has maintained throughout his force, and this is the stronghold of his secure position in popular favor. Mr. Freeman is a communicant of St. John's Evangelical Church.

Mr. Freeman married Mabel May Beahm, daughter of Mel Beahm, and they are the parents of Gladys Lincoln Freeman.

**TITUS M. RUCH**—Christian Ruch, the first of the family of whom we have record, was born January 7, 1748, and died December 10, 1827, aged seventy-nine years, ten months, twenty-six days. He emigrated from Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, to Lower Saucon township about 1770. We find in the records of the old Williams Church that he communed there from 1771 to 1774. There is a deed in existence showing that he bought real estate in Lower Saucon township, sixteen acres, in the year 1793, also a tract of one hundred and sixty acres in the year 1806. There is a will on hand saying that he had nine children, four boys, namely: John, Jonus, George and Christian; and five daughters: Eva, Susanna, Margaret, Rebecca and Catharine.

A descendant of Christian Ruch, one of the Alsatian founders of the family, was Benjamin Ruch, born in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, May 26, 1824, and died January 23, 1897. He married Mary Ruth, and they were the parents of seven children: Titus M., of whom further; Susanne, married Uriah Bishop, of Easton, a retired farmer; Benjamin, Jr., an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company; Charles, died at the age of thirty-three years, and was buried in Upper Milford Churchyard; Mary, married Edward Werkheiser, of Lansdale, Pennsylvania; Kate, married Amos Ache, of Lower Saucon township, a farmer; an infant died unnamed. Benjamin Ruch, the father of these children, enlisted October 6, 1862, in Company H, One Hundred and Seventy-fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and saw active service during the nine months he served.

Titus M. Ruch was born in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, November 28, 1871. He was educated in the public school of this district, attending the Hexagonal schoolhouse, so called from its peculiar shape, being the only one in the county built in the shape of a hexagon. He lost his mother when sixteen days old, and until seventeen years old he lived



with his uncle, Edward Knauss, a farmer, who gave him the opportunity to obtain an education, and taught him the art of the agriculturist. But he craved for a mercantile life, and began his business career as a clerk in the E. & D. Moll general store in Hellertown. He remained in that employ for two years, then transferred his services to Hess Brothers in Hellertown, dealers in coal and lumber. He was in the undertaking business in Hellertown for one year, then until 1901 was an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company. Since 1901 he has conducted the millinery and furnishing store in Hellertown which was formerly conducted by Mrs. Susan Reihman, his mother-in-law.

Through the patriotic service of his father, Mr. Ruch became a member of the Sons of Veterans, and for twenty-seven years has been prominent in that order. He has held all offices of Hellertown Camp, served on the staff of the division commander as chaplain in 1891, and also was a member of the Division Council. In 1905 he served as junior vice-division commander, and in 1913 was elected division commander, the highest State office the order can bestow, the annual meeting being held that year at historic Gettysburg. He has served Hellertown as school director for fifteen years, and for eight years was secretary of the board. Since 1910 he has been president of the School Directors' Association. He was a mercantile appraiser for the county of Northampton; president of the advisory committee, and for twelve years a deacon of the Hellertown Reformed Church; member of the Improved Order of Red Men; Knights of the Golden Eagle; Fraternal and Patriotic Order of America; Free and Accepted Masons; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Patriotic Order Sons of America; and in politics a Republican. He is president of the Ruch Family Association. As a business man and public official, he has shown both ability and fidelity, and he holds the high regard of his fellow men.

Mr. Ruch married, December 11, 1890, Mary W. Reihman, daughter of Francis and Mary (Moll) Reihman, of Hellertown. Her grandfather, Peter Moll, was builder in 1832 of the store in which Mr. Ruch is now located. Mr. and Mrs. Ruch are the parents of six children: 1. Miles Roscoe, born in 1891; now in the automobile business; he married Marie Kostenbader, daughter of Samuel and Ida Kostenbader, of Hellertown; they are the parents of two children: Mary A., born in 1912; and Miles, born in 1917. 2. Lottie Adelaide, married Paul Trumbower, a garage proprietor of Hellertown; they are the parents of a son, Titus, born in 1917; and a daughter, Elizabeth A., born in 1918. 3. Bessie Jennie, married R. C. Mauch, an attorney of Hellertown, now practicing in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; they have four children: Meryl, born in 1913; Charles, born in 1915; Doris, born in 1917; and Phyllis, born in 1918. 4. Ada Irene, married Howard Strohl, of Bethlehem; to them one child, Howard R., was born in 1918; Howard Strohl was lieutenant of Company M, Fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania National Guard, later the One Hundred and Ninth Machine Gun Battalion with the American Expeditionary Forces in France; he lost his life in service at Fismes, France, August 9, 1918. 5. Joseph Stanley, a student in high school. 6. Joyce Catherine, died aged six years.

Francis Reihman, father of Mrs. Ruch, came from Germany when young, and was a cabinetmaker in Hellertown until his death in 1885. He married Mary Moll, who died in 1909, she the pioneer milliner and millinery merchant in Hellertown.

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**FRANK P. SNYDER**—Mr. Snyder's association with financial affairs in his native city covers a period of about twenty-six years, nearly his entire active life having been passed in that field of endeavor. He is a son of George V. and Sarah (Solt) Snyder, his father head clerk in the employ of the Lerch & Rice Company, and was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, October 27, 1873.

After attending the public schools, he became identified with the Lehigh Valley National Bank, in 1893, and since 1916 has served that institution in the capacity of cashier. Mr. Snyder is high in the councils of the bank, one of the firmly founded and strongly rated financial organizations of the district, and capably discharges the responsible duties of his office. His social organizations in Bethlehem are the Bethlehem Club, Yo-Eddie Club, and Rotary Club, and he is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, Bethlehem Bankers' Association, a director of the Community Chest, director of the New Street Bridge Company, and one of the executors of the Gen. W. E. Doster Estate. He is a communicant of the Reformed church.

Mr. Snyder married Mamie W. Wilt, daughter of Josiah R. Wilt. They have two children: Carl H. and Richard G.

**ALMER CHARLES HUFF**—This branch of the Huff family came to Northampton county from Berks county, Pennsylvania, the locality there being known as Huff's Church from the fact that members of the Huff family were among the early founders of the church and donated the ground upon which the first church edifice was erected. There David Huff was born, but later he moved to Lehigh county, where his son, Almer Charles Huff, proprietor of Huff's music store, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was born. David Huff married Messena Deibert, born at Deibertsville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, daughter of Daniel and Anna (Crouse) Deibert. Daniel Deibert, a farmer, blacksmith and hotelkeeper, had his shop and hotel at the farm, and as a village grew up there it was given the name Deibertsville. Three of the children of David and Messena (Deibert) Huff are living: Clara, married Edward Schertzinger, a jeweler, in business at Slatington, Pennsylvania; Daisey, married Abraham S. Brahm, deceased, of Reading, Pennsylvania; Almer Charles, of further mention.

Almer Charles Huff was born at Deibertsville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania (a village now known as Newside), February 27, 1869. He attended public school in Allentown, continuing until attaining suitable age at which to begin learning a trade. He became an apprentice to a carriage builder, and devoted eight years of his life to carriage building, becoming an expert workman. He then decided to make a change in his business activity, and in July, 1894, he located in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and at No. 136 South Main street opened a small shop, dealing in sewing machines and allied goods. He conducted the little store along that line for one year, his small capital gradually being increased from his earnings until in 1895 he enlarged by adding pianos to the original lines of trade. He kept the little store, inadequate as it was to accommodate his growing business, until 1897, then moved to more commodious quarters and again extended his lines of operation. Since that year he has greatly enlarged and expanded, and in 1917 purchased the building in which his large and prosperous business was located, until 1919, when the five-story building at Nos. 53 and 55 South Main street was purchased, and the entire building devoted to the business, making the store the largest of its kind in this section of the State. His store is headquarters for musical instruments in Bethlehem, everything from a Steinway grand piano down to a ukelele there being found in stock, also the mechanical players and Victrolas. A full line of music and music teachers' supplies are also handled, and every corner of the five stories occupied is needed to properly conduct the large business Mr. Huff has developed through his energy and ability. He contracts the sale of Steinway pianos in Northampton county and has the exclusive sale of other musical goods, his business being so widely known in the county that he is in a position to make his own terms with the makers. He has a prosperous branch store in Slatington, the branch being conducted along the same lines as the parent house. That store was opened in 1915, is located on the main street of Slatington, and is rapidly

becoming a valuable part of the business. Hardly yet a quarter of a century has elapsed since Mr. Huff opened the little sewing machine store in Bethlehem, his rise to leadership in the music business speaking his ability louder than words. He has won his way fairly and honorably and bears the good will of all who know him either in a business or social way. His honorable method and upright life have brought the reward they deserve, and he is one of the highly esteemed men of his city.

Ever since becoming a merchant of Bethlehem, Mr. Huff has taken an active part in public affairs, and when in 1906 Bethlehem and West Bethlehem consolidated as one municipality he was burgess of the last-named. Under the charter adopted for the single city, the burgess of Bethlehem at the time of the consolidation became without appointment or election, but by virtue of his office, a member of the City Council, and was chosen its first president. At the expiration of the term for which he was originally elected burgess, he was re-elected to the City Council, and for six years filled that office and as president of the city governing board. He is one of the progressive, public-spirited men of the city, always ready and willing to aid in every forward movement. Prior to the organization of the present Chamber of Commerce, he was a member of the Industrial Commission and for two terms its president. He is affiliated with Bethlehem Lodge No. 191, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Lodge No. 267, Knights of Pythias; Camp No. 39, Patriotic Order Sons of America; Goodwill Castle No. 75, Knights of the Golden Eagle. He is a member of the Rotary Club, and Chamber of Commerce, is a Republican in politics, and a member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. He has long been an active member of that congregation, was for twelve years a member of the church council, and for ten years its president. When the new church was erected on Third avenue, in 1913, he was a member of the building committee.

Mr. Huff married, at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, August 25, 1892, Annie Rosser, daughter of William and Anna (Davis) Rosser. They are the parents of a son, Ensign Rosser Almer Huff, United States Navy, born April 27, 1896, and prepared for college in a Bethlehem school. He then entered for the scientific course at Lafayette College, and there pursued his studies until enlisting in the United States Navy, entering the day he was twenty-one, April 27, 1917. On February 11, 1918, he was appointed to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, and there completed a special course of four months' intensive training as a line officer. He passed the examining board with high honor, and was graduated from the Naval Academy, class of May 29, 1918, and commissioned an ensign of the United States Regular Navy. He served twenty-two months afloat and ashore, the former both on battleship and destroyer, and the latter in the Naval Intelligence Department. His resignation as an officer of the Regular Navy was accepted in February, 1919, after which time he returned home and was immediately appointed general manager of the Huff music store at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where he is making a success along the lines laid down by his father.

**DANIEL ZEHNDER**—Considerably more than a quarter of a century ago, in 1885 to be exact, Daniel Zehnder began the manufacture of brick in South Easton, and there he has converted clay into many millions of brick so excellent in quality that they have been largely consumed by his neighbors, the builders of Easton and vicinity. The plant is located at Davis street and Philadelphia road, and the output in some of these thirty-three years has reached four millions of marketable brick, while twenty men there find employment when the yard is run to capacity. Mr. Zehnder is a South Easton boy, having been born there, a son of Anton and Sophia (Exerly) Zehnder, natives of Switzerland, who immediately after their marriage came to the United States and located in Easton, Pennsylvania. Anton Zehnder was an





Daniel Zehnder





all around mechanic, handy with the tools of several trades. He died in Easton, aged fifty-six years, but his widow survived him until seventy-eight. They were the parents of eleven children: Mary, Sophia, Margaret, Daniel, of whom further; Thomas, Lizzie, Rose, Pauline, Henry, Cordelia and Kate.

Daniel Zehnder was born in South Easton, Pennsylvania, at the family home on St. Joseph's street, in July, 1859. His parents were members of the Catholic church, and sent their son to the parochial school until he was nine years of age. Since that age he has been a worker. His first employers were the farmers near Easton, for whom he did a boy's work for scanty pay. Later he was a worker in the cotton mills, and later a general laborer. Finally he learned the mason's trade, which he followed for several years, then learned brick-making, and for seven years was employed in a blast furnace, working at his trade. He next built a barbed wire plant, and was employed for seven years. During all these years, 1868-85, he had fought his own battles, and from the timid child of nine had become the strong, self-reliant man of mechanical skill and business experience. He had been careful of his expenditure, and in 1885 with capital which he had saved he bought the land, installed machinery, and began the manufacture of brick. He has been a hard worker, but has reaped the reward of his industry, and is one of the substantial men of the South Side. During off seasons he has utilized his product in the erection of buildings for himself, and has been a factor in the development of that section of Easton.

Mr. Zehnder married (first) Mary Slacer, who died, leaving a son Charles, who married Sarah Herson, who died leaving children: Mary, William and Donald. Daniel Zehnder married (second) Rachael Walbach, a widow. The family are members of the Catholic church.

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**WILLIAM D. WERKHEISER**—Edwin Werkheiser, father of William D. Werkheiser, was born in Forks township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, December 15, 1842, and died in September, 1907. He was engaged as a general merchant all his life, beginning as a clerk in Easton, then establishing a store in Belfast, which he conducted for eight years, and in 1876 moved to Windgap in the same county, where he conducted business for thirty-one years. He was a man of energy and public spirit, serving as school director, town councilman, and an all around citizen who, until the day of his death, held the high regard of his fellow men. He was a prominent member of the Lutheran church, serving as trustee, deacon, treasurer and elder. He was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania, and from its organization until a few years prior to his death he was a director and its honored president. He was also treasurer of the Windgap Slate Company for a number of years.

Edwin Werkheiser married Emma E. Metz, who died in 1915, aged seventy-one years. Children: 1. George S., in business with his brother; he is now and has been constable for many years; married Clara Russell, daughter of Samuel J. Russell, her father now living retired; children: Russell A., born October 7, 1900, a graduate of Easton High School, and a student at Muhlenburg College, class of 1921; Ralph E., born February 6, 1906; and Louise, born December 11, 1911. 2. William D., of further mention. 3. Anne E., residing at the homestead.

William D. Werkheiser was born in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, June 15, 1866. He was educated in the public schools of Windgap, Pennsylvania, and Trach's Academy, Easton, taking a commercial course at the latter institution. He then entered mercantile life in the store of his father established in 1876. The business is located in Windgap, and is a modern general store. Mr. Werkheiser, with his brother, succeeded the father as head of the business, and they have conducted it successfully. He is a director of the Second National Bank of Nazareth, Pennsylvania,

director and secretary of the Arvon Slate Company of Windgap, and secretary of the Windgap Cemetery Company. He is a Democrat in politics, has served as secretary of the Borough Town Council since 1901, and since 1914 has been postmaster of Windgap. He is a member of the Masonic order, Order Patriotic Sons of America, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a member of the Lutheran church, in which he served in various offices and as treasurer of the Sunday school. He is held in high regard by his townsmen, and is one of the strong, influential men of his community.

Mr. Werkheiser married, in June, 1891, Clara Savitz, daughter of Moses and Catherine (Rissmiller) Savitz, her father deceased, her mother now living, aged eighty-seven years. Children: 1. Harold E., born in August, 1893; a graduate of Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1915, now connected with Weaver's Pharmacy, Easton; he married Elizabeth Boehmer, of Easton. 2. Bertram M., born in 1901; now a student at Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania, High School, class of 1919.

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**RAY CLIFFORD ROACH**—The Industrial Engraving Company is Mr. Roach's contribution to Easton's business houses, and from its first appearance among the commercial enterprises of the city it has prospered and grown in importance until it is the largest engraving establishment in that section of Pennsylvania. Mr. Roach is a practical engraver, and gives to the business which he founded his close personal attention. This insures a high quality of work, and to this uniform excellence the success of his venture is due. He is a grandson of ——— Roach, born in Genesee county, New York, of ancient New England Colonial family. He was the father of Sabert Roach, born in Michigan, where he spent his active years, a farmer and stock grower. He retired several years ago, and is now residing in Toledo, Ohio. He married Delia Stayton, daughter of Andrew and Dorothy Stayton, who died in 1885, and they were the parents of an only child, Ray Clifford, to whom this review is inscribed.

Ray Clifford Roach was born in Dundee, Monroe county, Michigan, March 29, 1883, and there completed public school study with graduation from high school in 1900. He then perfected himself in stenography, and for some years held office positions, finally locating in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and serving a long apprenticeship to the engraver's trade. He applied himself closely to the finer details of the art, and continued in Philadelphia until 1909, becoming a recognized expert. In 1909 he moved to Easton, and established in the engraving business as the Industrial Engraving Company, and has won a most gratifying success. He is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, the Easton Rotary Club, and has taken his place among the city's progressive, public-spirited young men. He is an independent voter, and a member of Grace Reformed Church.

Mr. Roach married, January 25, 1912, Elizabeth Kemerer, daughter of Wilson and Sarah (Shock) Kemerer, of Easton, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Roach are the parents of a son, Albert Kemerer, born October 10, 1913.

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**MAURICE BAUMANN**—When thirteen years of age, Maurice Baumann, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, came to the United States from his native Austria, his mother, brothers and sisters accompanying him. The husband and father had previously come to New York City, and there the family joined him. The father, Barnett Baumann, is yet a resident of New York City, having been in the country about thirty years. Barnett and Esther (Boudin) Baumann were the parents of four children, all born in Austria: Maurice, William, Fannie and Ida.

Maurice Baumann was born in Dwinski, Austria, April 23, 1879, and there spent the first thirteen years of his life. He came with his mother to the United States, in 1892, and until twenty-one years of age resided in New







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York City, where he attended night school, and for some years was a boot-black and newsboy. Young as he was, he had obtained a good knowledge of the carpenter's trade in Austria, but he was too young to work here under the law, so he earned his way at other occupations not under the ban. Upon arriving at suitable age, he secured employment as a journeyman carpenter, and upon reaching the age of twenty-one he began contracting buildings in New York City, continuing until May 16, 1916, when his residence in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, began. In Bethlehem he has been very successful as a contractor and builder, having erected many buildings, among them the Loyal Order of Moose Home, two apartment houses in Fountain Hill, six apartment houses in West Bethlehem, and eight residences at Market street and Tenth avenue. He also built the Aaron Potruch building on Third street, South Bethlehem. Mr. Baumann is a member of the Jewish Synagogue in Allentown, Pennsylvania, member of the Austrian Society of New York City, and Unity League Club, Bethlehem.

Mr. Baumann married, March 4, 1902, Sadie Willovitz, also born in Austria, and they are the parents of five children: Gussie, Barnett, George, Iran and Nathan.

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**FREDERICK BENEDICT VOEGELI**—Switzerland was the home of the grandfather of Frederick B. Voegeli, of Easton, Pennsylvania, who located later in life in Augsburg, Bavaria, Germany, where his son, George Voegeli, a banker, yet resides. George Voegeli married Babette Natter, and they are the parents of Frederick B. Voegeli, who was born in Augsburg, May 21, 1885. George Voegeli served his time in the German Army, and was influential in public affairs, serving in the City Council, and was head of the fire department. Of the five children of George and Babette (Natter) Voegeli, Frederick B. is the eldest and the only one who came to the United States.

Frederick B. Voegeli spent his youth in his native Augsburg, and obtained a good education in the city gymnasium and Royal School of Textile Technology of Rentlingen, Germany. He had two and one-half years of practical experience in cotton mill work before taking a two-year course of general study at the textile school, from which he was graduated in 1906, receiving a diploma of the first class. With this equipment he felt that greater opportunity awaited him in the United States, and in 1906 he came to New York City, where he entered the employ of Neuss, Hesslein & Company, in the sample department of the export division for cotton goods. He remained with that company one year, then went with the Union Bleaching & Finishing Company, of Greenville, South Carolina, in charge of the company's office there. He spent two and one-half years in the South, then followed nine months of service with the New Brunswick (New Jersey) Chemical Company, as traveling salesman. His trade was principally among textile manufacturers using dyes and chemicals. He resigned that position to aid in the organization of the Mansfield Bleachery, of Mansfield, Massachusetts, and for four years thereafter was office manager for that company. He then sold his interest, resigned his position, and in 1915 made Easton, Pennsylvania, his home and business headquarters. On May 1, 1915, he became general manager of the Easton Finishing Company, and on January 5, 1916, was elected president of the corporation. With an associate he bought up the outstanding stock of the company, and under his expert management a business has been rescued from a low condition and place among the prosperous textile mills of Pennsylvania. The business of the plant is the bleaching, dyeing and finishing of all lines of all grades and weights of cotton goods; pocketings, book cloth, dress goods, muslins and linings. This is a business for which Mr. Voegeli is especially adapted because of his technical training and practical experience in both Germany and the United States, for his success with the present company is but a repetition of that

which has followed his entire career as a textile manufacturer. He has gone through life with an observing eye, and has been able to invent devices and machines which have been of great value to the business, and these he fully controls.

In the business associations, both local, State and National, he is well known, being a member of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, State Chamber of Commerce of Pennsylvania, National Association of Finishers of Cotton Goods, Pennsylvania's Manufacturers' Association, Northampton County Manufacturers' Association, and Easton Board of Trade, serving on the manufacturers' committee. Other organizations are: Northampton County Historical Society, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Rotary Club of Easton. In politics he is a Republican, and in religious faith a Lutheran. His recreations are those of the out-of-doors, and of those, fishing and motoring are the most favored.

Mr. Voegeli married, October 11, 1911, Mildred Bertha Hersey, daughter of William and Helen (Dunkerly) Hersey, of Central Falls, Rhode Island. Mrs. Voegeli is a graduate in music and an accomplished violinist. They are the parents of two children: Helen Babette and George Lehman.

**ROBERT PARKE HUTCHINSON**—One of Bethlehem's younger business men, Mr. Hutchinson came upon the scene of action at a time when his talents as an organizer and manager, as a public speaker and a one hundred per cent. American were in demand. Nobly he responded, and his work in rushing steel parts to the great shipbuilding plant from the plant of Bethlehem Fabricators, Inc., enabled the shipbuilding programme to go through without any hindrance from him. So, too, as local fuel administrator, he surmounted all difficulties, kept the home fires burning and the home wheels turning, and in every patriotic drive was one of the Four-Minute Men who inspired Bethlehem's audiences to greater buying and giving effort. He is a son of Elias S. and Mary (Seeley) Hutchinson, his family name one of the oldest and most honored in this country.

Robert P. Hutchinson was born in Washington, District of Columbia, May 24, 1882, and there completed public school study with graduation from high school. He then entered Lehigh University, and during the four years spent in that institution completed a mining engineer course, took part in athletics, was editor-in-chief of *Brown and White*, the university periodical, and gave especial attention to the Mustard and Cheese Dramatic Association, whose players he coached and managed. He was graduated E.M., class of 1904, and for a short period he was a mining engineer in the West Virginia coal fields. He then secured a position in the Bessemer steel department of the Carnegie Steel Company. From that department he went into the metallurgical department, but later was transferred to the sales department as special engineer sales agent, his headquarters in Cleveland and Philadelphia. In January, 1913, he became president and general manager of the Guerber Engineering Company, now Bethlehem Fabricators, Inc., whose plant is located at West Bethlehem, and there he has amply demonstrated his executive and managerial ability. The company in 1912 did a business of two hundred thousand dollars, and in 1918 two million dollars, the difference representing Mr. Hutchinson's success as a manager. Bethlehem Fabricators, Inc., are fabricators of structural steel for coal breakers and other purposes, and when the government embarked on the programme of fabricated steel ships, the plant practically side-tracked all other business and rushed steel to the shipyards on Newark Bay, New Jersey, where the first fabricated steel ship ever built was launched on Memorial Day, 1918, and three more on the Fourth of July following.

When the coal situation demanded a local fuel administrator, Mr. Hutchinson accepted the office from the government, and while he had the usual



amount of dissatisfied people to combat, he kept everything moving and gained the respect and admiration of the community, even those who felt that they had been hardly dealt with. He was one of the eloquent Four Minute Men who did such valuable work in the various drives, and grandly did his part in a time which proved men's quality and saw many hitherto public idols shattered. He is also a director of the First National Bank of Bethlehem. In civic affairs he has taken the same interest, and with all his energy supported the "hill-to-hill" bridge and the consolidation campaigns. He is interested in farming as a breeder of blooded Jersey cows, and enjoys the open air recreations, his favorite sport hunting the wily bass and the elusive trout in the streams and ponds of the Pocono Mountains. His clubs are the Bethlehem, Racquet of Philadelphia, and Northampton County Country. He is a member of Liberty Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, and of Psi Upsilon fraternity, Lehigh University chapter. In religious connection he is an Episcopalian, in politics a Republican.

Mr. Hutchinson married, November 6, 1906, Elise Myers, daughter of William B. Myers, and they are the parents of two children: Virginia Stuart and William B. Myers Hutchinson.

**JOSEPH RUSSELL CRAIG**—This branch of the Craig family was founded in the United States by Benjamin Craig, born in Scotland, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, who came in 1836, and settled in the city of Philadelphia. His brother Alexander preceded him to the United States, he coming in 1820. Benjamin Craig was a dyer by trade, and in Philadelphia founded the Continental Dye Works, which he owned and conducted until his death in 1876, at the age of fifty-two years, having lived in the United States from the time he was twelve years of age. He married, when still a minor, Margaret Nichols, also born in Scotland, who came to the United States at the age of seven years, and died in 1865, aged thirty-five years. Benjamin and Margaret Craig were the parents of five children now living, two dying in childhood: Elizabeth, a resident of Philadelphia, unmarried; Joseph Russell, of further mention; William H., a lieutenant of police in the city of Philadelphia; Edward, twin with William H., a banker of Chicago; John F., a gardener of Tacony, Pennsylvania.

Joseph Russell Craig, son of Benjamin and Margaret (Nichols) Craig, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 8, 1858. He was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia, and after finishing his school years became a smelter worker, but that work proving too strenuous for his health he abandoned it after about five years and entered railroad employ. He began as a fireman, and in course of time was promoted to the engineer's seat, continuing until about 1896 when he retired from railroad connection. In 1888 he moved to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and continued with the Philadelphia & Reading railroad for ten years more. The dangers of railroad life were brought to him very forcibly, he seeing his engineer killed while he was a fireman, and witnessing the death of his fireman in an accident after he became an engineer. Finally, in 1898, he decided to seek a less strenuous occupation, and after much deliberation he established the business he has since very successfully conducted, cement contracting and general trucking. He has a good business, frequently requiring twenty horses to carry on his trucking business, prior to the substituting of motor trucks. Many of the roads and bridges of this and adjoining counties are monuments to his skill as a contractor and builder, and he has also laid probably two-thirds of the concrete sidewalks of the city of Bethlehem.

Mr. Craig is an independent Republican, and for twenty-two years, ending January 1, 1918, was a member of the West Bethlehem Council, and for five years was president of that body; he was acting burgess of West Bethlehem for one year prior to the consolidation with Bethlehem, and for four



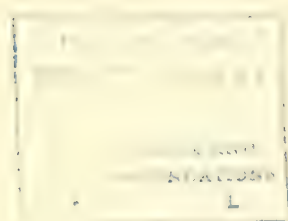
years afterward was president of the City Council. He was reared in the Presbyterian church, but after his marriage joined the Lutheran church with his wife. He is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, and is one of the public-spirited, progressive men of his city.

Mr. Craig married (first) Sarah Wayne, of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, who died in 1885, without children. He married (second), December 29, 1888, Adelaide Tice, daughter of Frank and Paulina (Everhart) Tice, of Bethlehem. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Craig: Frank T., his father's business associate, married Mary Schrader; Warren, died in childhood; and two died in infancy.

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**REV. MICHAEL KUZIW**—Since the Rev. Michael Kuziw's ordination to the priesthood of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic church, the changes brought about in Galicia have changed the political status of that part of Europe, and it takes the name Ukraine from that extensive region in Russia embracing part of the territories of the old kingdom of Poland. The official title is now the Ukrainian Greek Catholic church. Rev. Michael Kuziw was educated and ordained to the ministry of that church in Lemberg, the seat of a Roman Catholic, Armenian and a Ukrainian Greek Catholic archbishop, the building, the Greek Metropolitan Church, with the archbishop's palace, being the finest in the city. Lemberg, the capital of Galicia, fell to Austria in the partition of Poland in 1772, when the bulk of Galicia was also seized by Austria. The bulk of the population of Galicia is of the Slavic race, about evenly divided among the Poles and Ukrainians, the former being Roman Catholics in religion, the latter belonging to the Greek Catholic church, united with Rome.

Rev. Michael Kuziw was born in the village of Denysin, Eastern Galicia, a crown land of Austria-Hungary until becoming the independent Ukrainian State in 1918, son of Stephen and Eudocia (Yurkiv) Kuziw. He was born September 17, 1885. He attended schools in Tarnopol and Lemberg until beginning theological study in Lemberg University. He came to the United States in 1909, and was ordained to the priesthood in Philadelphia by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Soter Ortynsky, bishop of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic church in the United States. While the Ukrainians are in harmony and union with the Holy See at Rome, there are wide difference in their laws, the most striking perhaps being the rule under which Ukrainian Greek Catholic priests may marry before ordination, a privilege they have held for more than twelve hundred years. The Ukrainian priests use the Slavic language in saying the Mass and at other church services, that language being handed down as the church language from the time of Saints Cyril and Methodius, who translated the service from Greek into the Slavic language to the exclusion of Latin and Greek. Father Kuziw celebrated his first Mass in the cathedral of the bishop's church in Philadelphia, and was at once assigned to the church at Buffalo, New York, continuing there as assistant for two months. He spent the next five months as pastor of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic church at Watervliet, New York, going thence to the church at Alden, Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, there serving the Church of St. John the Baptist as pastor for eight months. From Alden he was transferred to the Church of Sts. Peter and Paul, at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, a congregation founded by his deceased brother, Rev. Elias Kuziw, and whom Rev. Michael Kuziw succeeded as pastor. He remained with that congregation two and one-half years, then was appointed pastor of the Church of St. John the Baptist, at Pottstown, Pennsylvania, remaining eight months, then for about two years was pastor of the Greek Rite Catholic Church at Allentown, Pennsylvania. On December 31, 1915, he was installed pastor of the Church of St. John the Baptist at Northampton, Northampton county, Pennsylvania,





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and for the four past years has ministered to the spiritual needs of that congregation of over two thousand souls, Ukrainians from Galicia and Northern Hungary, members of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic church. The church edifice in which that congregation worship is a fine brick structure, highly creditable to the parish, and situated on Newport avenue, commanding a good view of the beautiful Lehigh Valley. A parsonage and a parochial school is a part of the church property.

Father Kuziw is a man of broad mind and progressive tendencies, his ten years of residence in this country but intensifying his natural tendencies and thoroughly developing an intensely patriotic American. He takes a deep interest in borough affairs, in its people and its institutions, no native son being more devoted in his citizenship than he. On July 4, 1918, he organized a Liberty parade in Northampton, and had the clergy of other denominations to address the audience which gathered to view the parade. Every war movement has had his hearty support, and all "drives" for funds has had his efficient co-operation. He has very strong convictions, but is most tolerant and liberal in his treatment of others, freely according that which he demands for himself, the right of his own freedom of conscience and thought. He is a supporter of the Republican party. His work as a minister of the Gospel has been greatly blessed in Northampton, spiritually and materially. He organized the Society of the Sacred Heart for men and women of his congregation. An evening school is maintained for teaching his people to read, write and speak the English language, and all the departments of church work are in prosperous condition.

Father Kuziw married, in Shamokin, Pennsylvania, November 23, 1909, Mary Glowa, born in Shamokin, daughter of John and Catherine Glowa. They are the parents of four children: Olga, Sophie, John, and Michael, Jr. Mrs. Mary (Glowa) Kuziw died February 22, 1919, pneumonia being the cause of her death.

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**FRANK CONRAD WILLIAMS**—For thirty-five years Frank Conrad Williams, manufacturer, has been identified with Easton's business interests, and either as official or shareholder is connected with half a score of Northampton county's business and financial organizations. He descends in line from John and Ellen (Klinchen) Williams.

John Williams, the progenitor, was born in Wales, and in 1670 came from Merinth and settled in Cheltenham township, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, where he married Ellen Klincher, born in Holland. Their son, Anthony Williams, married Sarah Shoemaker; their son, Anthony Williams, married Rachael Jorvitt; their son, Joseph Williams, married Ann Hollowell; their son, Anthony Williams, married Sarah Thompson; their son, Joseph Thompson Williams, married Margaret Jane Butler, and was the father of Frank Conrad Williams. The family were all farming people, prosperous and successful, from the first down to Joseph T. Williams, who was one of the most faithful devotees of the Quaker faith. \*

Joseph T. Williams was born and reared in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, and lived on a farm with his uncle, for his father had died when Joseph T. was but a small child. He was educated in the public schools, and completed his studies with collegiate training. He followed farming until he came to Easton and engaged in the manufacture of ground soapstone and other minerals, including dry paints, a large portion of which was imported from foreign countries. He continued in this business, which he had founded, until his death, which occurred July 21, 1906, four days before his seventy-third birthday. He was a keen, shrewd business man, and from the foundation laid by him in Easton has developed one of the largest and most successful businesses that forms a part of Easton's industrial world. He was public-spirited and always contributed toward anything that was for the



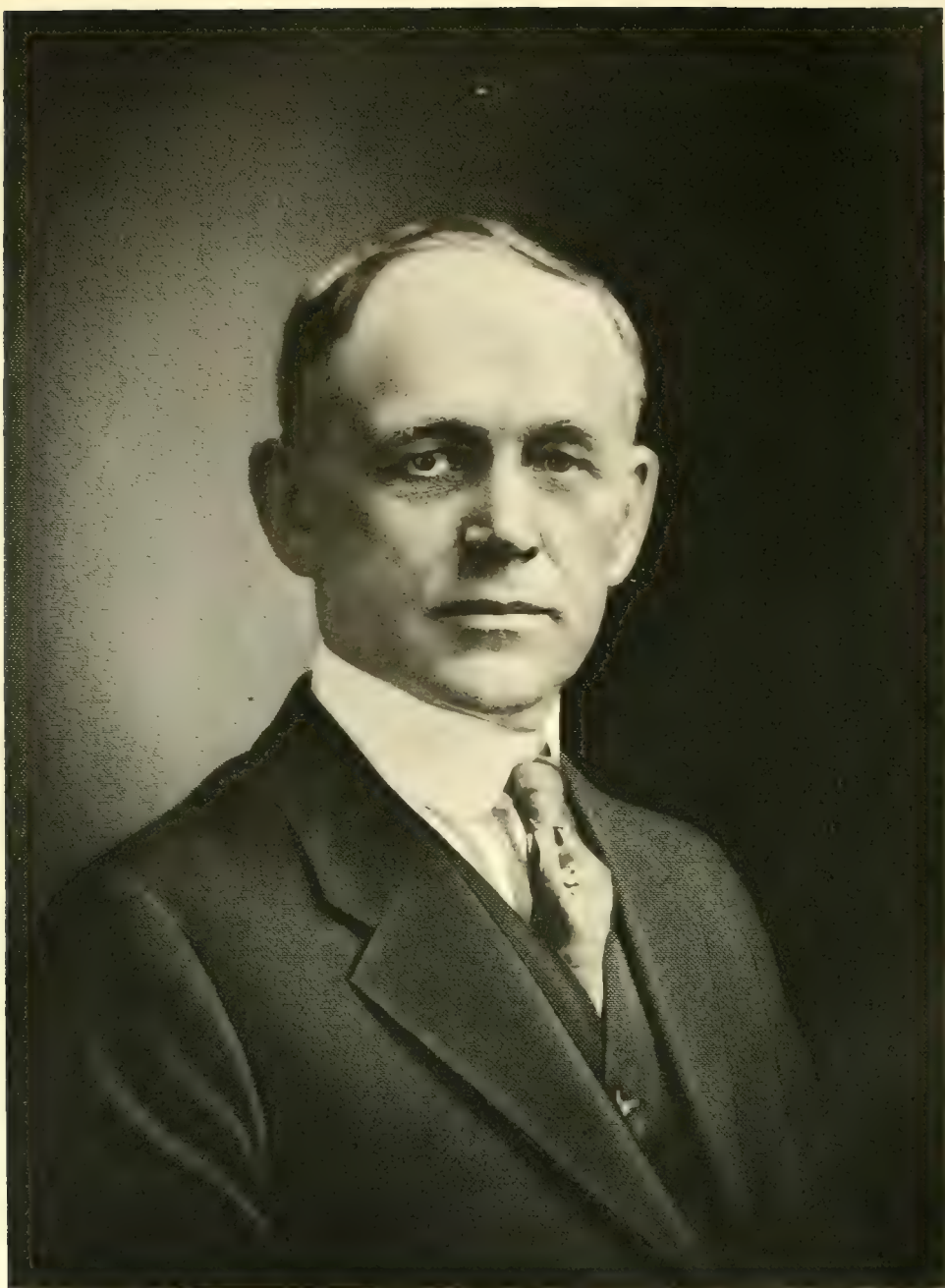
welfare of the city. He married Margaret Jane Butler. Their children were: Frank Conrad, of whom further; Hannah E., a twin with Frank Conrad; Charles Koffman, a sketch of whom follows; Emma; two who died, Mary A. and George.

Frank Conrad Williams was born at the homestead in Jarrettown, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, May 7, 1860, and was educated in the public schools there. He spent his youth and early manhood at the home farm, and remained there until 1885, when he joined his father, Joseph T. Williams, in Easton, Pennsylvania. The father had moved to Easton in 1875, and established there a flour mill in addition to the other lines of mineral products. The building is one of the old historic grist-mills on Bushkill creek. In 1885 he completely rebuilt and modernized the old mill, and made it one of the best flour mills in Eastern Pennsylvania. On the coming of Frank C. Williams in 1885, the father surrendered the management of that branch of the business to his son, who since that time has devoted his energies largely to the operation of the flour mill. The Williams mill is noted for the excellency of its product, and it is a matter of special pride with Mr. Williams to see that high standard maintained. The distribution of the product is in Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and during the recent World War the flour was taken by the government for export. In addition to the management of his private business, he is vice-president of C. K. Williams & Company; president of the New Jersey Developing Company, of Phillipsburg, New Jersey; director of the Easton National Bank; director of the Northampton Traction Company; director of the South Easton Water Company; director of the Danville Tubing & Construction Company; and he is financially interested in various other enterprises of Easton and the vicinity.

Mr. Williams is identified with Easton's philanthropic movements, and he bears his share of the responsibilities of management. He is a member of the advisory board and building committee of the Easton Hospital, and for many years has been one of that institution's staunchest friends. He is a charter member of and one of the founders of the Olivet Presbyterian Church, is a present member of the session, and since the founding of the church has been chairman of the board of trustees. He was chairman of the building committee in charge of the erection of the splendid church edifice. The beautiful pulpit in that church is a gift from Mr. Williams as a memorial to his mother, while the bell in the tower was given in honor of his father, and bears the inscription cast in the bell of the dates of birth and death of his father. Olivet Presbyterian Church is one of the large and usefully active congregations of the Easton district, and no lay member has contributed more largely to this result than Mr. Williams. He is a member of the Pomfret Club; the Rotary Club; Easton Board of Trade; Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading, Pennsylvania; and has been an active supporter of the Young Men's Christian Association for many years. While the foregoing outlines his principal interests, it by no means covers the full scope, for his broad mind and public spirit lead him to champion and support all good causes.

Mr. Williams married, September 27, 1887, Martha Washington Shull, daughter of Alexander Sherrard and Margaret (Stocker) Shull, of Martins Creek, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Williams shares her husband's interest in civic, church and charitable work. Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Williams are the parents of an only child, a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, wife of Lieut. Carlton Schwab Wagner, of the United States Aviation Corps. When the armistice was signed, he received his discharge from the army and went back to his business at Danville, Pennsylvania, in his official capacity, president of the Danville Structural & Tubing Company. Mr. Williams has taken especial





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interest and has actively aided in the various loans and drives of the war period, and in all has been an efficient worker. His city residence, "Margawilla," one of Easton's beautiful houses, is one of the best specimens of Colonial architecture, and is furnished exclusively in Colonial period furniture, of which both Mr. and Mrs. Williams have been enthusiastic collectors for many years.

Mrs. Williams is descended through her paternal line from Johan Peter and Ann Mary Schall, as then spelled, who came from the Palatinate city of Worms, and landed in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August, 1739. Johan P. Schall became an extensive land owner, and operated a grist and saw-mill and a distillery. He settled in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, which was his permanent home. The family were members of the Lutheran church. The line descends through the son of Johan P., Elias Shull, and his first wife, who was a Miss Gruver; through his son, Philip Shull, and his wife, Margaret (Bryan) Shull. Next in line was Alexander S. Shull, father of Mrs. Frank C. Williams. He was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, at Martins Creek, in August, 1834, and died in March, 1909. He was well educated and taught school for a time. He was a machinist by trade, but early in life engaged in business, and owned and operated the School Slate Factory, and was the one to introduce the round corner slates, inventing the process and patenting it. He was active in the work of the church, and was locally considered a vocalist of no mean order, and he taught the young people of the neighborhood. He was the advisor of the community in all its affairs, for he was a conscientious and honorable man who inspired the confidence of all. The wife of Alexander S. Shull was Margaret (Stocker) Shull. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Shull were the parents of three children, as follows: 1. Horatio, now practically retired, but his entire life was spent in the coffee business in Philadelphia; married Sarah J. Harris; she died in March, 1917, and bore him the following children: Margaret E., wife of Frank B. Witherpoon, of Easton; Helen E., wife of James B. Neal, of Easton; and Horatio, married Nellie M. Lantz, of Easton. 2. Martha W., wife of Frank C. Williams, 3. Mary E., deceased wife of James B. Neal.

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**CHARLES KOFFMAN WILLIAMS**—The business founded by Joseph T. Williams in a small way in Easton, in 1875, has been developed by his son, Charles K. Williams, until C. K. Williams & Company is one of the important enterprises of the country. The business, begun in a small way, consisted of a flour-mill, which has since 1885 been under the management of Frank C. Williams, of Easton, a paint mill and a mill for the production of talc, the latter business being the one developed by Joseph T. and Charles K. Williams. Joseph T. Williams was a farmer of Jarrettown, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, and he owned and cultivated the old Williams homestead farm until 1875, when he moved to Easton and began the business operations which have been so successfully developed and managed by his sons.

Charles Koffman Williams was born at the Williams homestead in Jarrettown, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, January 31, 1862, son of Joseph T. and Margaret Jane (Butler) Williams. He was educated in Jarrettown public and private schools, and at Knight's Sunnyside Academy, Amber, Pennsylvania. After completing his school years he became an apprentice to the machinist trade for four years. He then came to Easton and joined his father. There he gained his first mill experience and developed the ambition which has carried him to most important position among manufacturers and executives. Four years were spent in gaining the experience which was later a valuable asset. He then entered the manufacturing department of his father's business, and that business, then in its infancy, is now a great one, drawing its supplies of crude materials from many States of the Union and importing from England, France, Spain, Italy, Turkey and Persia. There are plants



Nos. 1, 2, 3, in Easton, a plant in Allentown, and they are largely interested in several plants engaged in the production of paper-making chemicals at various paper manufacturing centers, quarries and mines in Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Florida, and British clays imported in shiploads, all this and more from the ramifications of a wonderful business. One of the striking features of the C. K. Williams & Company's Easton plant is its great stack towering 375 feet in the air, a landmark for several miles away and noted as the second highest in the country and the third highest in the world.

While Mr. Williams is president and treasurer and C. K. Williams & Company, he is the financial head of others, serving as treasurer of the Paper Makers' Chemical Company; Western Paper Makers' Chemical Company; Eastern Paper Makers' Chemical Company; Immaculate Kaolin Company; Florida China Clay Corporation; Easton Explosive Company; National Milling & Chemical Company; Point Milling & Manufacturing Company; and Paper Makers' Importing Company. The names of these companies indicate their wide scope of action, and of all Mr. Williams is treasurer. He was one of the founders of the Easton Board of Trade, serving as president in 1912, and is a member of the National Manufacturers' Association of the United States of America.

Although essentially a business man, Mr. Williams is well known and deeply appreciated for his public-spirited effort along lines of public and civic improvement. Few men have given more freely and unselfishly of their time, means and energy for the cause of the common good than he, for he stands as champion for all movements looking toward a better Easton. He invested his energies whole-heartedly in the Liberty Loan drives, the War Chest Drive, and all other drives of the war period. He served the government as United States Food Administrator of Northampton county; and for several months devoted the greater part of his valuable time to the duties of this office.

Mr. Williams is a member of Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Rotary, Pomfret and Northampton County Country clubs; and the Manufacturers' Club of Philadelphia. He is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Easton. He is a Republican in politics, and is a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Williams married, June 1, 1887, Ida L., daughter of Jerome and Catherine Wilson. Mrs. Williams is an active member of the First Presbyterian Church, a director of the Easton Home for Aged Women, a member of the Woman's Club, and is a willing worker in the mission activities of her church. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are the parents of two children: 1. Myra Jeanette, a graduate of Vassar College, class of 1913. 2. Morris R., a student at Lafayette College, class of 1921, taking the mechanical and engineering course; he enlisted in 1918 in the Students' Training Corps of the United States Navy for four years, but was released in December, 1918.

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**NEWTON WOLFE**—Aiding his father in the business established by John Wolfe in the long ago, Newton Wolfe later became its head, and still conducts in Bangor a modern mortuary establishment.

(1) He is a descendant from the German Emigrant Wolfe, who came from the lower Palatinate and founded a home and family in Allen township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where among his children were two sons, Philip, of whom further, and George. George Wolf (his name spelled without the final "e") was born in Allen township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, August 12, 1777, obtained a good education, studied law, and under President Jefferson was postmaster of Easton. He was elected to Congress in 1824, 1826 and 1828, and in 1829 was elected governor of Pennsylvania,

and re-elected, but was defeated for a third term. He was then appointed by President Jackson first comptroller of the United States Treasury, and by President Van Buren as collector of the port of Philadelphia. He died March 11, 1840, but his great work and the crowning act of his gubernatorial career was the strength and force with which he urged in his messages the establishment of the present public school system of Pennsylvania, which he finally secured in 1834. James Buchanan wrote: "If ever the passion of envy could be excused a man ambitious of true glory, he might almost be justified in envying the fame of that favored individual whoever he may be whom Providence intends to make the instrument in establishing common schools throughout the commonwealth." Providence selected George Wolf, and in 1834 the act was passed, and on April 1, 1834, was signed by him as governor of the State of Pennsylvania. On September 28, 1888, the Wolf Memorial Gateway, built from granite taken from the farm he owned in 1834 and paid for by the pupils of the public school of Easton, was dedicated.

(II) Philip Wolfe, eldest son of the emigrant, and brother of Governor Wolf, passed his life near Bath, Pennsylvania, where he owned and cultivated a farm. He was a man of sound judgment and industrious life, winning in his own sphere as great a success as his illustrious brother. He married and had issue, among whom was William, of whom further.

(III) William Wolfe, son of Philip Wolfe, and nephew of Gov. George Wolf, was born in Allen township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there followed the cooper's trade in connection with farming. He married Annie M. Van Horn, and they were the parents of the following children: Susanna, married (first) George Root, (second) John Morse; John, of whom further; Henrietta, married Joel Davidson, of Philadelphia; Josephine, married Absalom Hess; Sarah, married David Murtrie; Cornelia, second wife of Benjamin Johnson; Maria, married Jesse Smith; Salvina, married Mahlon Rodenbush; Elizabeth, married Ephraim Rutt; Franklin G., of Easton; Theodore, of New Jersey; William J., a practicing physician of Chatham, New Jersey; Ella, unmarried; and Ernestine, married Daniel Clifford.

(IV) John Wolfe, eldest son of William and Annie M. (Van Horn) Wolfe, was born in Upper Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in September, 1838, and died in Bangor, Pennsylvania, September 1, 1908. In early life he learned the cooper's trade and worked with his father. In connection with his cabinet-making shop he established an undertaking business, and at Johnsonville conducted both branches. Later he moved to Bangor, and there was engaged as an undertaker until his death. He was a man highly esteemed, was an ardent Democrat, holding the office of postmaster of Bangor, under the Cleveland administration, and also served his town as councilman, and as a member of the school board. He married Matilda Bach, daughter of Joseph and Susan (Oyer) Bach. Children: Josephine, died in infancy; Lily, married Jacob F. Spear, of Easton, Pennsylvania; Cyrus, a resident of Bangor, Pennsylvania; Oscar, residing in Bangor, Pennsylvania; Horace, a resident of Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania; Newton, of whom further; Charles, deceased; Edward E., a resident of Easton; Harriet, married Milton V. Miller, of Chicago, Illinois; Lizzie, deceased; and Stella, deceased.

(V) Newton Wolfe, sixth child of John and Matilda (Bach) Wolfe, was born in Johnsonville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1870, but four years later his parents moved to Bangor, which has since been his home. He attended the public schools until attaining a suitable age, then began working with his father in his cabinet-making, furniture and undertaking business. He became an expert woodworker, and valued assistant in the undertaking department, continuing with his father until death severed their close relations. Since the death of John Wolfe, September 1, 1908, Newton Wolfe has been head of the business, which he was a strong factor in devel-

oping. In addition to his business as undertaker and funeral director, he has an awning factory and supplies a large amount of surrounding territory with awnings of varied description. He is one of the successful men of Bangor, and stands high in the estimation of a host of warm, personal friends. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in politics is true to the faith handed down from the second generation when George Wolf was elected a governor of Pennsylvania, on the Democratic ticket, and also held office under those bulwarks of the Democracy, Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson.

Newton Wolfe married Abbie Bruch, who died November 20, 1912, daughter of Adam Bruch. Children: Lillian, born April 30, 1895; Helen, November 4, 1903; Mildred, March 10, 1905. The family home is in Bangor, Pennsylvania.

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**FREDERICK BRANT HENDERSHOT**—From the age of fourteen Mr. Hendershot has been connected with silk manufacture in some capacity, beginning in the weaving department of a silk mill in Newton, Sussex county, New Jersey. He soon rose to responsible position, and in silk mills of New Jersey and Pennsylvania has held managerial rank, his present association being with the Northampton Silk Company, of Easton, as acting superintendent. He is a son of James G. and Mary (Jenkins) Hendershot, his mother born in England, dying in 1892, a comparatively young woman. James G. and Mary (Jenkins) Hendershot were the parents of four sons: William, David, Robert and Frederick B.

Frederick B. Hendershot was born in Franklin, Sussex county, New Jersey, December 22, 1888. His boyhood was spent in Newton, the county seat, and there he attended public school until fourteen years of age. His wage-earning life there began in the weaving room of a Newton silk mill, where he became quite expert in that branch. From Newton he went to Wharton, New Jersey, obtaining employment with the Ross Silk Manufacturing Company as a weaver. He held that position until 1905, when he transferred his services to the Standard Silk Mill Company of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, there remaining as weaver for two years. His next position was with the Stewart Silk Company of Easton, with whom he remained for six months, then connected himself as helper with the weaving department of the Lehigh Valley Silk Company, after which he went to Towanda, Pennsylvania, as weaver in the mill of the Seneca Silk Mill Company, remaining for a period of nine months. He then went to Oliphant, Pennsylvania, as weaver with the Oliphant Silk Company, and later transferred to the Continental Silk Company of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, remaining for two years. He then went to Bangor, Pennsylvania, and was loom fixer with the Pennsylvania Silk Company for a period of nearly two years. He then went to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where for eighteen months he was employed as loom fixer with the Gallia Silk Company. He then secured employment with the Valentine & Bentley Silk Company as loom fixer, with whom he remained but a short time, going thence to the quilling department of the Eagle Brothers' Silk Company at Shamokin, Pennsylvania, from which he resigned at the end of six months' service. He spent a short time in Allentown, then returned to the Valentine & Bentley Mill at Phillipsburg, which had resumed work. Soon afterward he located in Easton, and secured employment as loom fixer with the Northampton Silk Company; later he was appointed foreman. In politics Mr. Hendershot is an independent.

Mr. Hendershot married, in Easton, May 29, 1917, Hazel Kirkesner, daughter of Lewis and Julia (Schrack) Kirkesner. They are the parents of a daughter, Ruth Irene. Mrs. Hendershot is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.







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**ROBERT WILLIAM HUNSICKER**—Among the young business men of the city who have won for themselves reputation and business success, Robert W. Hunsicker, owner and manager of the West Side Garage & Chandler Service Station, desires special mention. He perfected himself in automobile operation and construction, then by regular gradations reached his present position. He is a son of Mahlon and Rebecca Hunsicker, residents of West Bethlehem.

Robert W. Hunsicker was born January 16, 1891, and was educated in the public schools of the Bethlehems. He early mastered the intricacies of the gasoline engine and its relation to the automobile, becoming an apprentice in an auto repair shop in 1907, continuing until rated an expert. In the repair shop he made many influential friends, and finally he accepted a position with E. G. Grace, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company, as chauffeur, a position he held for about two years. He then became chauffeur to Charles M. Schwab, the great iron master, and for seven years drove his cars. But the young man was ambitious to have a permanent business of his own, and in May, 1917, he purchased from William J. Hummel the West Side Garage, an established agency for the Chandler and Monroe cars, and a service station, handling all auto supplies. In connection with the above line he conducts a general repair department, maintains a well equipped garage with a floor space, 60 by 150 feet, fine display rooms and office. The business is prosperous, and the young man is meeting with the success his energy and ambition deserves. He is a member of Salem Lutheran Church, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in his politics is independent.

Mr. Hunsicker married, April 22, 1913, Elizabeth Scheele, and they are the parents of a son, Robert William, Jr., born May 25, 1918.

**FREDERICK JACOB RICE**—There is no name more worthy of honor in the Lehigh Valley than that of Rice, borne by many succeeding generations of the family founded by Rev. Owen Rice, one of the early pastors of the Nazareth congregation of the Moravian church. On maternal lines Frederick J. Rice was a descendant of Rev. John Gottlieb Ernestus Heckewelder, famous Moravian missionary to the Indians, mediator, guide and interpreter for the government in their intercourse with the Indian tribes of that section. Rev. Owen Rice was pastor of the Fetter Lane Moravian Church, London, England. He came to this country and was the first pastor of the Moravian congregation in New York City and Philadelphia, also serving as pastor of the church at Nazareth, Pennsylvania. Later he returned to London, where he died.

Owen (2) Rice, son of Rev. Owen (1) Rice, was born in London, England, and was one of the first merchants of the Lehigh Valley, his store occupying the old Horsefield House on Market street, Bethlehem, built in 1753.

Joseph Rice, son of Owen (2) Rice, was proprietor for many years of the historic Nazareth Inn at Nazareth, Pennsylvania, but later he moved to Bethlehem, where he served for several years, and until his death, as postmaster. Joseph Rice married Anna Salome Heckewelder, daughter of John Gottlieb Ernestus Heckewelder, the Moravian Indian missionary and interpreter, previously mentioned.

John Heckewelder Rice, son of Joseph and Anna Salome (Heckewelder) Rice, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and became a well known cabinet-maker and later a builder of canal boats for the Lehigh canal. He enlisted in the Union Army during the Civil War, serving for three years as second and first lieutenant. He returned from the army broken in health, having been stricken with a fever during the closing months. For a time after the war he was engaged in general merchandising in Hazelton, Pennsylvania,

then returned to Bethlehem, where he died at the age of fifty years. He married Clarissa Mease.

Frederick Jacob Rice, son of John Heckewelder and Clarissa (Mease) Rice, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, June 28, 1843, and died in the city of his birth, November 15, 1910. He was educated at the Moravian Parochial School, and began his business career as clerk in the store of William Luckenbach. He served in the Union Army under two enlistments, first with Company D, Thirty-fourth Regiment, Pennsylvania State Militia, enlisting June 29, 1863, that regiment being recruited in response to Governor Curtin's call for men to repel General Lee's threatened invasion of Pennsylvania, which materialized the following July. He was honorably discharged from the service under this enlistment, August 10, 1863. He enlisted again in April, 1864, joining Company K, Tenth Regiment, New Jersey Infantry, and was honorably discharged the following August.

After his return from the army a second time, Mr. Rice began an apprenticeship to the plumbers' trade, serving a full term of years under the instruction of his brother, Thomas J. Rice, who was a well established plumbing contractor of Bethlehem. Later Frederick J. Rice began business for himself as a contractor of plumbing, building up a good business, to which he added that of his brother Thomas upon the latter's death. He continued in business in Bethlehem until his death, and gained honorable position as one of the city's substantial, capable and successful business men. Mr. Rice was a lifelong member and active worker in the Moravian church, and for many years a member of the Frohsin Saengerbund. In August, 1869, he became a member of J. K. Taylor Post No. 182, Grand Army of the Republic, department of Pennsylvania, and from that date until his death was one of the most zealous and useful members of that organization. He served the post as quartermaster and commander, while in committee work he was invaluable, being invariably in charge of entertainment and participation in patriotic events.

Mr. Rice married, June 4, 1891, Carrie A. Clewell, a descendant of one of Northampton's prominent pioneer families, dating back to 1745.

Louise Frackle Clavell, or Clavel, as the name was originally spelled, came from Auenbach, Baden, Germany, to Pennsylvania, landing in Philadelphia with her two young sons, George Craft and John Franz, in October, 1737. Both sons were bound to masters, as was then the custom with those without means to pay their passage to America. The two sons came as "redemptioners," and were bound to their masters until the money advanced for their passage was repaid.

John Franz Clewell, born September 27, 1720, died January 24, 1798: came to the Moravian settlement at Oley, Pennsylvania, after completing five years service necessary to free him from debt, and there in September, 1744, he married Salome Kuerchle and settled in Oley Hills. In 1745 they moved to Northampton county, and settled on what became known as the Clewell homestead, one and a half miles north of Nazareth. He was devotedly religious, and it was in his little frontier home that the first Moravian congregations of Schoeneck worshipped. John Franz Clewell dropped the John from his name, and his descendants are known as the Franz Clewell branch, to distinguish them from those of his brother, George Craft Clewell, who comprise the George Clewell branch. Franz and Salome (Kuerchle) Clewell were the parents of thirteen children, the eldest son, John Clewell, the next in line.

John Clewell, son of Franz and Salome (Kuerchle) Clewell, was born April 21, 1750, and died April 28, 1828. He married Anna Johanna Klein, and their nine children all grew to mature years.

Jacob L. Clewell, eighth child of John and Anna Johanna (Klein) Clewell, was born October 11, 1799, and died January 30, 1871. His youth was spent on the Nazareth Hall farm, of which his father was manager, but later he

learned the cabinet-maker's trade, and became noted for his skill as a fine woodworker. He was also an inventive genius and mined the compound which he placed upon the market under the trade mark name, "Mineral Black Paint." He inherited the family musical talent, and was the leader of "The Frenchman's Band," most of the members of the organization being Clewells. Until reaching the age of sixty-five years, he was a member of the Moravian Trombone Choir, was a staunch supporter of the Moravian church, and for many years a member of its board of trustees. Jacob L. Clewell married Rebecca Seyfried, and reared a family of seven children.

Their second son, Henry C. Clewell, was born June 19, 1826, and died November 3, 1897. He spent his entire life in Nazareth, his sterling character and worth there being fully understood and appreciated. He was educated at Nazareth Hall, learned the cabinet-maker's trade, and was later for many years the leading funeral director of the town. He was active in public affairs, served for a long time in the Borough Council, and was one of the most interested members of the school board. He was a devoted member of the Nazareth Moravian Church, for a quarter of a century served as head sexton, for several years as trustee and elder, and member of the parochial school board. He married Eliza S. Peisert, who survived him many years, she dying February 18, 1917, aged ninety years and six days. They were the parents of six children, Carrie A., now widow of Frederick J. Rice, being the eldest.

Mrs. Carrie A. (Clewell) Rice, in accordance with family customs and tradition, was early confirmed in the Moravian church, and has all her life been a devoted worker in a great variety of church activities. She has been a member of the choir continuously for fifty-two years, has aided in every charitable endeavor, is a member of the King's Daughters, and since its organization has been a member of the famous Bach Choir.

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**RAY LESTER CROSLAND**—Since graduation from business college, Mr. Crosland, although a man young in years, has held important positions, fourteen of those years having been spent with those two great corporations of the Lehigh Valley, the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and the Bethlehem Steel Company. That he was in a responsible position with those corporations opened the way for greater advancement and made the transition to the present position easy of accomplishment. He is manager of the Ross Common Water Company of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, a position to which he was appointed. He is a son of Wilson Crosland, was all his active years an employee of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, serving continuously for twenty-two years, when an accident disabled him and caused his retirement. He married Harriet E. Williams, born in Slatington, Pennsylvania, of a pioneer family. The Croslands are also an early family in Pennsylvania, having long been seated in the anthracite coal region. Mr. and Mrs. Crosland are the parents of the following children: Ray Lester, of further mention; Myrtle A. B., married Walter B. Krause, chemist with the American Steel Company, at Chester, Pennsylvania; Kenneth Russell, connected with the housing department of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and a member of the Committee of Public Safety.

Ray Lester Crosland was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, September 2, 1884, and was there educated in the grade and high schools, finishing with a course in Bethlehem Business College. Upon completing his studies, he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, and for twelve years was continuously in the service of that corporation, as investigator. At the end of that period he transferred his allegiance to the Bethlehem Steel Company, continuing in the employ of the company in the same capacity for two years. He then accepted the position of manager with the Ross Common Water Company, but later again became connected with the Bethlehem Steel Company.



Mr. Crosland is a Republican in politics, and until 1918 was a member of the Northampton County Republican Committee. His interest did not then abate, but the duties of his position demanded that he withdraw from all outside activities so far as possible. He is a member of Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce; the Rotary Club; Washington Republic Association; Stanley Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Loyal Order of Moose; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, charter member of Lodge No. 1209, Bethlehem; Court America, Order of Foresters; Knights of Pythias, Lodge No. 267, and in religious connection is affiliated with the Lutheran church.

Mr. Crosland married, in December, 1911, in Bethlehem, Mabel C. Kein, daughter of Owen Kein, of Bethlehem. Mrs. Crosland's father, a former steel worker, died in 1916, her mother surviving her husband, and residing in Bethlehem. Mr. and Mrs. Crosland reside in Bethlehem.

**EDWARD IVEY**—For more than twenty years Edward Ivey was a well known figure around the Easton shops of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, he being an expert machinist, and a man of such pleasing personality that he won friends easily, and so honorable and upright that he always retained them. He was a son of Edward Ivey, who was born of English parents, and when a young man came to the United States and served as a private in the Union Army during the Civil War. Later he became a miner and settled at Glendon, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, two miles from Easton. He married, in Pennsylvania, Elizabeth Griffith, who survived him and died at her home, No. 1018 Wilkes-Barre street, Easton, in January, 1893. He died at the home in Glendon. Edward and Elizabeth (Griffith) Ivey were the parents of a daughter, Jane, who married Thomas Smith, and of two sons, John, who was accidentally killed at Glendon, and Edward (2), to whose memory this review of an honorable life is dedicated.

Edward (2) Ivey, son of Edward (1) and Elizabeth (Griffith) Ivey, was born at the family home in Glendon, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, June 4, 1864, and there was educated in the public schools. His parents were willing to give him all school advantages possible, but he overruled their wishes and was allowed to follow his own preference which led away from the schoolroom to a place in the shops of the Glendon Machine Company. He was but a boy when he began with that company, doing light forms of work suitable to his years, but as he grew in stature and strength he became a machinist's apprentice, serving four years. After being free from his time as an apprentice, he left the Glendon Machine Shops and entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at the Easton shops, and there continued until the end of his life, January 5, 1913, at the age of forty-seven years. He was an expert machinist and skilled worker in metal, industrious and energetic, loyal to every obligation of life, a good neighbor and friend. His political affiliation was with the Republican party, and he was always an earnest worker for party success. He represented the Eleventh Ward in Easton's City Council, and was always found upon the right side of all moral issues. He was reared in the faith of the Methodist Episcopal church, later attended the services of the Presbyterian church. He was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Improved Order of Red Men; was active in the Patriotic Order Sons of Veterans, was first lieutenant in the Reeder Battery, and very highly esteemed by his brethren and comrades of these organizations.

Mr. Ivey married, in Easton, September 18, 1889, Rev. William Hess, pastor of a Philadelphia Methodist church, officiating, Lena White, born in Germany, January 12, 1869, but brought to the United States by her parents when but three months old. She is a daughter of John and Hannah (Burmaster) White, who located in Glendon, Pennsylvania, where John White was accidentally killed in 1872, on the Lehigh Valley railroad while in the

discharge of his duties as an employee. Mrs. Ivey survives her husband and resides in Easton, a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Children of Edward and Lena (White) Ivey: 1. Elizabeth A., married Norwood T. Holden, and resides in Easton; they are the parents of a daughter, Kathleen, born in 1915. 2. Raymond Harry, of Easton, married Lillian Daub. 3. Jane G., married Edward Osborn, who was a soldier of the United States, in training at Camp Lee. 4. Beatrice White, a stenographer, employed in the offices of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad, at Easton. 5. Lena May, married Harold Koshner, and resides at Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. 6. Edward William. 7. Dorothy Ruth, who resides at home. Mrs. Edward Ivey married (second), June 30, 1917, John Carey, of Easton.

**JACOB THOMAS WALTER**—The Walter family settled in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, prior to the Revolutionary War, and there Jacob Walter was born about 1770, his thirty-acre farm located near Hecktown, and there he died about 1840. Descendants settled in Easton, and there another Jacob Walter was born, he the father of Jacob Thomas Walter, now foreman of the Pennsylvania Utilities Company, and a native son of Easton.

Jacob (2) Walter was born in Easton, and there spent his boyhood. He and his brother John were orphaned at an early age, and they found a home in the family of Paul Small, a canal boatman, who was their very good friend. Jacob went with his benefactor on the canal as tow-path boy, and from driving a canal team graduated to the deep seas and became a whaler. Some years later he shipped on a steamer plying to Nova Scotian and Bermudian ports. He was a part of the engine room force for several years, then renounced the sea for a brakeman's job on the Lehigh Valley railroad. This was in 1858, and for some years he held that position. He then became a fireman on the same road, finally being promoted to the right-hand side of the cab. Since his retirement as engineer, he has led a retired life in the city of his birth, his home at No. 728 Milton avenue, Easton. Jacob Walter married Hannah Garis, born in Easton, and there died, leaving children: Lizzie, married Jesse J. Miller, whom she survives, a resident of Easton; and Jacob Thomas, of whom further.

Jacob Thomas Walter, only son of Jacob (2) and Hannah (Garis) Walter, was born in Easton, April 3, 1877, and there obtained a public school education. His first teacher was a young lady named Anna Rankin (now Mrs. Thomas), then a teacher on the South Side. His last teacher in the finishing grade of grammar school was Alfred Cyphers, the lad having then reached his fifteenth year. In 1892 he left school and entered the employ of William H. Miller, a South Side coal dealer. He was an office boy, errand boy, driver and general utility boy for some time, then having gained experience and strength, he changed his line, and for two years was with the Delaware Ice Company. His next employer was Mrs. M. M. Disbrow, the keeper of a children's boarding house, with whom he remained two and a half years. He then began a short term of service with the Lehigh Valley railroad as call boy at the shops, after which he engaged in the butcher business, working for Reuben Moyer, of the South Side, for a period of three years. From Mr. Moyer's employ he passed to the Easton Ice & Cold Storage Company, first aiding in the erection of their plant along the canal on the South Side, then helping in its operation. From that company he transferred to the Easton Power Company, that corporation being the forerunner of the present Pennsylvania Utilities Company. His first position was in the repair department, but in 1900 he became connected with the operating department, and in 1905, when the company enlarged their plant and installed new equipment, Mr. Walter was promoted to the position of foreman and placed in charge of new construction. In 1912, the company having grown

to large proportions, he was given a new department and made foreman of all yard work and in charge of all trucks and teams. This position he yet holds, one of the old and trusted employees of the company. He is a member of the Foresters of America, a communicant of the United Evangelical church, and in politics a Republican.

Mr. Walter married, March 7, 1900, Susan Bright, daughter of Harrison Bright, her father a Lehigh Valley engineer. Mr. and Mrs. Walter are the parents of four children: Maud Elizabeth, Paul Irwin, Ethel Helen and Jacob Thomas (2) Walter. The family home is at No. 706 Lincoln street, Easton, South Side.

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**BERNARD FRANCIS CONNELL**—When a boy of eleven years, Bernard F. Connell obtained a boy's position with the Bethlehem Iron & Steel Company, and notwithstanding all changes in name, ownership, character or volume of business transacted, he has kept his place in the company's ranks, and now, after thirty-nine years of service, is rated one of the company's reliable, capable and efficient workmen. For twenty of these years he has been connected with the armor plate department of the great plant, and has developed with that branch an intimate knowledge of armor plate casting, hardening and tempering.

Bernard Francis Connell is a son of Edward Connell, who came from Ireland to the United States when a boy, accompanying his parents, who located the family home in New York City. This was shortly after the year 1850, and until about 1860 Edward Connell, having learned the bricklayer's trade, came to Pennsylvania, later settling in Bethlehem. He married Jane Campbell, who came from Ireland when a young girl, and died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in September, 1896. They were the parents of four sons, all deceased save Bernard F., of further mention, and of two daughters, one living, Anna, widow of John Connell. She has a son Edward living in Camden, New Jersey, and two daughters, Mary, chief bookkeeper at St. Luke's Hospital, residing with her mother in Bethlehem, and Jennie V., now Sister Constanthia, a sister of St. Charles' Convent, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Bernard Francis Connell was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, April 15, 1867, and until eleven years of age attended the public schools of South Bethlehem. In 1880 he began work with the Bethlehem Iron Company, and from a boy's position was advanced to a better one in due course of time. He has steadily continued his association with the company, and has had many promotions in different departments of the plant, being heater in the armor plate department, a branch of the company's business with which he has been connected for twenty years. Mr. Connell is a Democrat in politics, but never sought nor desired office for himself. He is a member of the Roman Catholic church; the Loyal Order of Moose; and Bethlehem Division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians.

Mr. Connell married, April 15, 1891, Mary Sullivan, daughter of Timothy and Mary (Hennessy) Sullivan, of Philipsburg, Pennsylvania, her father for many years a section foreman with the Pennsylvania railroad. Timothy Sullivan died April 13, 1905. Mary (Hennessy) Sullivan, like her husband, came from Ireland when young and spent her after life in Philipsburg. Timothy and Mary (Hennessy) Sullivan were the parents of thirteen children, six daughters and two sons yet living. Bernard F. and Mary (Sullivan) Connell were the parents of eight children: Jennie, born September 18, 1892, now employed in the offices of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at Bethlehem; Catherine W., born January 28, 1894, a bookkeeper at St. Luke's Hospital; John F., born April 24, 1896, an enlisted man stationed at Camp Dix, New Jersey, employed as a stenographer in the quartermaster's department; James L., born November 17, 1899, a soldier of the United States, was







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in the Aviation Corps with the American Expeditionary Forces in France; Mary R., born September 19, 1901, a graduate of Bethlehem Business College, now a stenographer with the Bethlehem Steel Company; Edward B., born March 10, 1902, an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company; Francis J., born May 11, 1904; Margaret C., born September 27, 1907.

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**HERMAN SCHMIDT**—Herman Schmidt was born in Waldeck, Germany, September 13, 1839. He came to this country in 1854, at the age of fifteen years. His brothers, William and Frederick, had preceded him. William later became an engineer for the Lehigh Valley railroad, which position he held for over forty years. Frederick lost his life during the Civil War for the Union cause.

Mr. Schmidt spent a number of years after his arrival on farms in the Dryland section of Northampton county, and became well known to the farmers of the community through his devotion to duty and exact methods. After a number of years he was selected as farmer at the County Home. It was in this capacity that he met his future wife, Mary Karch, who later served him so well in managing the affairs of the County Home and keeping it up to its high standard. Mr. Schmidt was later elected superintendent, and held the place until 1912. During his term of office he was frequently complimented on the excellent appearance and condition of the place, Cadawalader Biddle, then inspector of charitable institutions, being one of his most noted supporters. During this time he also gained a lifelong friendship with the Hon. William Mutchler, of Easton, who stood staunchly by him until his death. Judge Scott, on one occasion, appointed Mr. Schmidt, with Messrs. Miller, Wood, Hackett and Wilbur, as a committee to investigate the necessity of a new insane asylum for this district. Mr. Schmidt's success at the almshouse was due to his exactness in details, putting off nothing for another day, and his neatness and cleanliness in all departments. He was firm in his orders, but had a very kindly disposition. His wife was a great help in his entire career, kind, devoted and energetic, and the inmates flocked to her with all their troubles and sorrows. Mr. Schmidt made many friends during his term of office, and at one time had considerable influence in the Democratic party. His old associates stood with him until the time of his death in July, 1918.

Mr. Schmidt's family consisted of nine children: Mary E., who died at the age of thirty-five; Emma C., wife of Charles P. Kleppinger; Charles W., a sergeant in the aviation service during the late war, now employed at the Bethlehem Steel Works; Frank H., cashier of the Nazareth National Bank; Alice A., who resides with her mother; Arthur G., president and manager of the Kraemer Hosiery Company; Nellie E., wife of Thomas Kostenbader; Florence I.; and Victor R., captain of infantry during the late war and now a structural engineer with the Goodyear Rubber & Tire Company in Connecticut.

The Northampton County Almshouse was Mr. Schmidt's greatest consideration, and during his declining years he was frequently consulted regarding its management. He died at the age of seventy-eight years.

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**CHARLES WILLIAM SCHULER**—The Schulers in this branch came from Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, to Northampton county, they having long been seated in the first-mentioned county. Moses Schuler, at the age of seventy, died in the same room in which he was born in 1817, and all the intervening years had there been spent engaged in farming. He was a devout member of the German Baptist church (Dunkard), and a preacher, walking every Sunday from his home in East Texas to Bethlehem to fill the pulpit of the little church he served. He was a close student of the Bible, warm-hearted and charitable, tilling his farm with industry and skill six days in

the week and preaching on the seventh. He was well known to the older generation as a man of just and upright life, ever striving to be of service to his fellow men. He was never far from his own fireside, but everybody respected and loved him. He married, and with his son, Jacob Schuler, and grandson, Charles W. Schuler, this review further deals.

Jacob Schuler was born at the homestead in New Texas, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, January 14, 1856, and died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, August 22, 1914. He grew up at the home farm, but later he learned the machinist's trade and made that his life work. He formed a connection with the Bethlehem Steel Company which was never broken until severed by death, after existing twenty-two years, 1892-1914. He was a fine workman, thoroughly skilled in his trade, and thoroughly admired and respected by all who knew him. He was a member of the German Baptist church, and in his political faith a Republican. He married Trevilla Roth, daughter of Samuel and Hannah Roth, of Cedarville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, her father a farmer all his active years, a veteran of the Civil War and a highly esteemed citizen. Jacob and Trevilla Schuler were the parents of four children: 1. Mamie, married William Irick, of South Bethlehem, a confectioner; they are the parents of a son, Charles. 2. Harry Mahlon, married Annie Kieper, of Bethlehem, there he conducts a plumbing business; they have two children, Hilda and Paul. 3. Leidy Samuel, a clerical worker with the Bethlehem Steel Company; married Ellen ———, and has a son, Maynard. 4. Charles William, of further mention.

Charles W. Schuler was born at East Texas, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, May 14, 1878, and there obtained a good public school education. After leaving school he became a worker in the raw silk department of the Bethlehem Silk Mill, and there was employed three years. After leaving the silk mill he went with the Bethlehem Iron Company, the forerunner of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and there remained for something over a year, when the iron company shut down, and he went with the Huff music store in Bethlehem. For seven years he continued with Mr. Huff as salesman and collector, that period closing in 1906 with his return to the plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company, beginning as a helper and rising through various positions to his present responsible place in that great plant, assistant master mechanic, his present position. He has won his own way in the world, and by sheer force of character and ability has risen above the ordinary. He is a member of the Woodmen of the World, and a Republican in politics, he being the candidate of his party for recorder of deeds in 1906.

Mr. Schuler married, June 15, 1899, at Rittersville, Pennsylvania, Helen C. Fulmer, daughter of Edwin and Catherine Fulmer, of White Haven, Pennsylvania. Edwin Fulmer was born March 30, 1841, was for thirty years an employee of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, then until his retirement was with the Lehigh Valley Traction, and aided in constructing the line between Allentown and Bethlehem, he being a well informed, practical railroad man. He hauled the slate for the first building erected by the Bethlehem Steel Company, and has seen the wonderful expansion of that plant. He is a member of the Reformed church, and is a Republican in politics. He married Catherine Boyfogle, of Carbon county birth, daughter of James Boyfogle, a pioneer farmer. In addition to his long career as a railroad man, Edwin Fulmer served in the One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, during the Civil War, escaping without injury, although he was in the battle of Gettysburg and saw hard service. Charles W. and Helen C. Schuler are the parents of six children: 1. Catherine, born March 11, 1900; in 1918 was a freshman at Moravian Seminary. 2. Edward M., born June 22, 1901; now just entering the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company. 3. Pearl Edith, born April 26, 1903; a junior at Bethlehem High School. 4. Alfreda May, born September 9, 1905. 5. Mildred Irea, born January 17, 1912. 6. Elsie Ellen, born October 27, 1914.

**ROBERT E. JAMES**—Robert E. James, former president of the Easton Trust Company, a lawyer of high capability, and one who occupied various positions of honor and trust in the State and under the Federal government, was of mingled Welsh, Scotch-Irish and German blood, and a descendant of ancestors who were pioneer settlers in Pennsylvania shortly after the coming of William Penn. In the paternal line he represented a family of Baptists, dating from the early part of the seventeenth century. In the McHenry and Wilson lines he came of that sturdy Scotch-Irish Presbyterian race which, under the policy of James II and the Cromwellian settlement and the later adjustments of William of Orange, settled in Ireland, and finally left that country and came to America, where they became the founders of Presbyterianism in the New World, and of families which bore conspicuous parts during the Revolutionary War and in the subsequent history of the country.

(I) John James, the immigrant ancestor of Robert E. James, was a native of Pembrokeshire, Wales, and whose ancestry in Wales is a matter of church records for many generations. He was born in April, 1660. He married in Wales. He and his wife Elizabeth were members of Ridilin Church, in Pembrokeshire. He and his family, several of whom were then adults, came to America in 1710, and finally settled in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, where he purchased a tract of one thousand acres of land in New Britain township, upon which he passed the remainder of his life. The line of descent from John James to Robert E. James is as follows:

(II) William James, one of the children of John and Elizabeth James, was born in Wales, in 1692, and came to America with his parents. He and his wife Mary lived and died in Bucks county, Pennsylvania.

(III) John (2) James, son of William and Mary James, was born, lived and died in Bucks county, Pennsylvania. He married Elizabeth Evans.

(IV) Josiah James, son of John (2) and Elizabeth (Evans) James, was born in 1741, at the ancestral home, and there died December 2, 1806. He married Elizabeth Evans, the same name as was his mother.

(V) Evan James, son of Josiah and Elizabeth (Evans) James, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, and lived there during his entire lifetime. He was a man of liberal education, high character, ample means, and was well regarded throughout the community. He married Elizabeth McHenry, and they were the parents of two children: William McHenry, who became a physician, residing near Doylestown; and Robert Evan, of whom further. This union of Evan James and Elizabeth McHenry introduces the Scotch-Irish element into the ancestry. Elizabeth McHenry was the descendant of Francis McHenry, the immigrant ancestor of that name, who came from County Antrim, Ireland, where the family had been transplanted from Scotland. Francis McHenry's wife was Mary Ann Wilson, a daughter of Hugh and Sarah (Craig) Wilson. Hugh Wilson was a son of Thomas Wilson, an officer in the army of William of Orange, and who for his services at the battle of the Boyne was given a large tract of land at Coote Hill, County Cavan, Ireland. Hugh Wilson, with his brothers-in-law, the Craigs, came to America about 1720, and ultimately founded what was known as the Irish settlement, near Bath, in Northampton county, Pennsylvania. This settlement was among the earliest in the Forks of the Delaware, and has sent its lines of descent throughout the United States, and numbers in those lines many noted personages, including President Wilson, several governors of the States, judges, etc. Hugh Wilson, Francis McHenry's father-in-law, was appointed a commissioner to establish the county seat at Easton and to erect the original court house. He was also appointed king's justice upon the organization of the county, and served in that capacity until the time of his death, just prior to the Revolutionary War. Francis McHenry was a Presbyterian preacher, and for almost half a century was the pastor of the Deep



Run Church in Bucks county. His brother came to America at the same time and located in Baltimore; his son was on General Washington's staff, subsequently on General Lafayette's staff, afterwards a member of General Washington's cabinet, and Fort McHenry, near the city of Baltimore, was named in honor of his services. Francis McHenry was for some time associated as pastor of the Deep Run Church, with William Tennent, the founder of the old "Log College" on Neshaminy creek. Tennent and his college were the nurses of educated Presbyterianism in America, and Princeton College may fairly be said to be the sequence of his labors. Francis McHenry was honored by his son Charles, whose heroic exploit at the massacre of Paoli is a matter of history. William McHenry, a son of Francis McHenry, was born at Deep Run parsonage, during the ministry of his father, May 6, 1744. He married Mary Stewart, and their third child, Elizabeth, born March 7, 1776, became the wife of Evan James, so uniting the Scotch-Irish ancestry upon the stock of the Welsh ancestry.

(VI) Dr. Robert Evan James, second of the two sons of Evan and Elizabeth (McHenry) James, was born at Line Lexington, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, September 26, 1802, and died August 13, 1860. His early education was obtained in the schools at New Britain and Doylestown. Subsequently he entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which he was graduated, after which he pursued an advanced medical course in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he also received the medical degree. He located for practice at Freemansburg, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, whence he soon removed to Centerville, Upper Mount Bethel township, same county. Dr. James remained in Upper Mount Bethel township during the remainder of his life. He was a leader in his profession. His practice extended over the entire upper portion of the county of Northampton, a portion of Monroe county, and reached into the county of Warren, State of New Jersey. He was a man of extraordinary influence, and was held in the most profound respect by the people in the communities in which he practiced. He aided in the organization of the Northampton County Medical Society, of which he was the first president, and served in that capacity until his death. He was a Democrat in politics, with strong anti-slavery inclinations, participating in his views in that respect with his close personal friend and political associate, Governor Reeder. He was a leader of political thought in his section, and while as a rule he declined political offices, he was elected to the State Legislature in 1837, but refused to accept a second term, which was customary, and subsequently was never a candidate for office, except in one instance, when he was a candidate for Congress, and was defeated in the convention by his opponent, the late United States Senator, Richard Broadhead, by one vote. Dr. James was devoted to educational interests, and the unusual educational advantages given to youths of his period in Mount Bethel still remain a matter of comment and admiration among the people. His personal character was admirable in all respects. He was a gentleman of the old school, frank, affable, sympathetic, dignified, and the impress of his life is still potential in Mount Bethel.

Dr. James married Caroline Dietterich, who was born in Williamsburg, Upper Mount Bethel, in 1817, and died in 1853. She was a daughter of Jacob and Margaret (Kintz) Dietterich. Her ancestors were of German descent, and came from Germany to America in 1748, and took up lands in what is now known as Upper Mount Bethel. Her grandfather, Louis Kintz, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, in the Third Regiment of the Continental Line. To Dr. Robert Evan and Caroline (Dietterich) James were born five children: 1. Frances, who became the wife of Dr. Hiram Long. 2. Mary E., who became the wife of the late Hon. Truman H. Purdy, who was a lawyer of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. 3. William McHenry, a manufacturer of Steelton, Pennsylv-

vania. 4. Jacob Dietterich, a lawyer, residing in Sunbury, Pennsylvania.  
5. Robert Evan, of whom further.

(VII) Robert Evan (2) James, youngest child of Dr. Robert Evan (1) and Caroline (Dietterich) James, was born in Upper Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, August 9, 1848. Until his father's death in 1860 he resided at home, attended the local schools, and partially prepared for college. He subsequently became a student, temporarily, at Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, afterwards at Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, where he passed the freshman year, and was admitted to the sophomore class at Lafayette College. He graduated from Lafayette College with the class of 1869. He then entered the law office of Edward J. Fox, Esq., and was admitted to the bar in November, 1872. Prior to his admission he was principal of the Easton High School. Subsequent to his admission, he at once engaged in the practice of law, in which he was highly successful. His professional abilities found recognition in his election to various positions open only to lawyers of capability—to the office of county solicitor, in 1879; to that of district attorney of the county, in 1880; to that of city solicitor, in 1884; and in 1883 he was Democratic nominee for the judgeship in the Dauphin-Lebanon district. Shortly after his admission to the bar, Mr. James was elected to the Easton School Board, and immediately thereafter was made president of that body, and so continued until January 1, 1877, when, having been elected to the House of Representatives of the State Legislature, he resigned his connection with the school board to enter upon legislative duties. He was a member of the Legislature in the years 1877 and 1878. He early took an active interest in political affairs, as indicated by the offices held, and during the administration of President Cleveland he was appointed national bank examiner for Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and subsequently assigned as such to the city of New York, remaining in office during President Cleveland's term, and a portion of the term of President Harrison, voluntarily resigning in 1890 in order to give personal attention to the Easton Trust Company, of which he was one of the organizers. He subsequently became president of the company. In politics, Mr. James was a Democrat of the Tilden-Cleveland school, and had no sympathy with the political wreckers who in later years have made the party an object of pity and reproach. Mr. James was an active leader in State politics for many years. He was on several occasions chairman of State conventions and of important committees. He was the chairman of the committee on resolutions which in 1896 presented for adoption a gold Democratic platform for the Democrats of Pennsylvania, and which platform was adopted by the convention almost without a dissenting voice, and when, three months later, the convention reconvened in order to readjust its political conscience and make it harmonize with the philosophy of the Platte, Mr. James, as the representative of the Democrats, who would not surrender party principles for the hope of temporary success, presented their protest upon the floor of the convention. Mr. James took great interest in banking matters, and in 1891, at the solicitation of the joint committee on banking of the Pennsylvania Legislature, especially appointed, prepared and urged to final adoption the bill establishing a banking department for the State of Pennsylvania. He also served as chairman of the Association of Trust Companies of the State of Pennsylvania. Mr. James was a member of various Masonic bodies, and was affiliated with Dallas Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Hugh de Payen Commandery, Knights Templar. He was also a member of Sigma Chi college fraternity. He was of fine personal appearance, excellent in social qualities, and his broad information and brilliant conversational powers made him an admirable acquisition to various intelligent circles. He was an eloquent speaker, and at the bar and on the rostrum made a wide reputation as an orator and advocate.

Mr. James married, April 4, 1876, Anna B. Heller, a native of Easton, daughter of Louis and Anna B. Heller, of Reading, Pennsylvania. Of this marriage was born one child, Robert Evan, 3rd, April 10, 1879. He was educated at Easton Academy, and graduated at Lafayette College in the class of 1901. He was admitted to the bar, and was associated with his father in the practice of his profession.

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**HENRY FOSTER MARX**—Since the founding of the Easton Public Library, Mr. Marx has been at its head as librarian, his service dating from 1902, following extended work as a teacher in public and private schools. Mr. Marx is a son of William S. and Josephine (Waldwin) Marx, his father one of the leading lawyers of Allentown, Pennsylvania.

Henry F. Marx was born in Allentown, July 28, 1865, and as a youth attended the preparatory department of Muhlenberg College, of Allentown, and Peddie Institute, of Hightstown, New Jersey. Entering Lafayette College, he was graduated A.B. in the class of 1885, receiving his Master's degree in 1888, and for two years following his graduation he tutored in Latin and mathematics at Lafayette. He then returned to his studies, and for two years pursued post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, specializing in advanced English. The next two years he devoted to journalism, with assignments to the *Asheville Citizen*, of Asheville, North Carolina, and the *Baltimore American*, of Baltimore, Maryland. After a course in electrical engineering at Lafayette College, he accepted an important position at the head of one of the testing departments of the General Electric Company, of Schenectady, New York. In 1892, Mr. Marx re-entered the teaching profession, and for a year was a member of the faculty of Betts Academy, at Stamford, Connecticut, then becoming a teacher of English in the Easton High School. From 1893 to 1902 he filled this position, and upon the completion of the Easton Public Library he was tendered the office of librarian, which he accepted with the provision that he should be permitted to equip himself more thoroughly for his work. He assumed the duties of his place at once, and, although he alone felt its need, completed a librarian's course at Pratt Institute, of Brooklyn, adding this training to his qualifications of scholarship. The Easton Public Library, under his direction, has had a prosperous career of usefulness to the community, and ranks high among the institutions of this part of the State. Mr. Marx's studious inclinations and habits, which during his junior year at Lafayette won him the Biblical Prize and in his senior year the Fowler Prize, have made his work in this branch of public education most congenial and his services beneficial to the community.

He is president of the Keystone State Library Association, was president and later a director of the Penn Library Club, and is the author of a number of articles appearing in the library journals. He is interested in all local affairs, is chairman of the Easton Shade Tree Commission, was the first secretary of the Northampton County Historical Society and its president in 1916-17. His clubs are the Northampton County Country and the Easton Rotary. He is a communicant of the First Presbyterian Church, of Easton.

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**EDWARD L. MYERS**—Mr. Myers is a present-day representative of a family long resident in the Lehigh, Wyoming, and Schuylkill valleys, and in Bethlehem, the city of his birth, occupies a position worthily succeeding the records of accomplishment established in the name of Myers by earlier generations.

(I) The line was founded in America by Nicholas Myers who, with his wife and sons, came from Amsterdam, Holland, in 1753. He located in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and ten years afterward purchased nine hundred acres of land in Adams county, moving to that county and locating

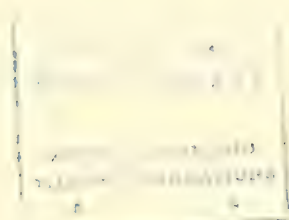




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near Round Hill in the vicinity of York Sulphur Springs. His children were: John, Jacob, of whom further; David, William, Ludwick, Nicholas, Jr., Elizabeth, Susan, Margaret J., and Mary.

(II) Jacob Myers, son of Nicholas Myers, the founder, was born in 1760. He married Hannah Smith, and in 1796 moved to Conewago Mills, later to New Chester. He died aged eighty-five years, his wife's death occurring when she was seventy-five years old, and both are buried in Bermudian Cemetery.

(III) Henry Myers, son of Jacob and Hannah (Smith) Myers, was born April 1, 1791, and died at New Chester, Pennsylvania, February 29, 1868. He was a man of prominent standing in his community, and in 1842 was elected to the State Legislature. He married, at the age of twenty-one years, a first cousin, Nancy Jameson, daughter of James Jameson, who married a daughter of David Myers. Children of Henry and Nancy (Jameson) Myers: Jacob A., of whom further; Singleton, Henry Jameson, Ann E. J., Horatio Gates, David P. and William.

(IV) Jacob A. Myers, son of Henry and Nancy (Jameson) Myers, was born in New Chester, Adams county, Pennsylvania. He became the owner of a farm on the Little Bermudian creek, and built and operated the Good Intent Woolen Factory. In 1855 he became associated with his brother-in-law, John B. McCreary, in coal mining, and with his wife and five children moved to the coal regions of Tremont, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania. Here the family resided for one year and then moved to Audenried, Carbon county, Pennsylvania, where the Honey Brook Coal Mines, of which he became owner, were situated. In 1865 he retired from business, and the family located permanently in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He was one of the leading coal operators of the time and region, a man of large capacity and executive power. He married Sarah Ann Deardorff, born at Deardorff's Mill, near Petersburg, Pennsylvania, January 1, 1821, daughter of John Deardorff, and descendant of Anthony Deardorff, a German Tunker, who settled in Germantown in 1729, and became one of the organizers of the first Tunker (or Dunkard) church in that place. Jacob A. Myers died in September, 1865, the father of six children, who were educated in the Moravian schools and the local universities.

(V) George Henry Myers, son of Jacob A. and Sarah Ann (Deardorff) Myers, was born in York Springs, Adams county, Pennsylvania, August 26, 1843, and died December 31, 1912. He attended Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, also studying in the Eastman Business College, at Poughkeepsie, New York, and upon his father's death succeeded to the management of his important mining and business interests. In 1865 he made his residence in Bethlehem, and, impressed with the industrial prospects of the city, invested heavily in local enterprises, among them the Bethlehem Iron Company, of which he was a director. He also became a large stockholder in the First National Bank and served on the board of directors from 1874 to 1880, being elected to the office of president in the latter year to succeed C. A. Luckenbach. Until 1897 he remained the chief executive of this institution, which enjoyed continued prosperity under his direction, failing health compelling his retirement from business life. He was a keen financier and an exceptionally able man of affairs, held in high esteem by the group of business men of which he was a member. For many years he served as a director of the Lehigh Valley railroad. For seven years he was chief burgess of Bethlehem, and also served for several years in the Borough Council. He was a communicant of Grace Lutheran Church, and a member of Bethlehem Lodge No. 283, Free and Accepted Masons. He married Caroline W., daughter of Francis Weiss, and they were the parents of: Frank J., Mrs. Emily Lehman, Mrs. Katharine M. Bye, Mrs. Caroline Amelia Mathews, George Henry, Jr., Mrs. Helen Costello, Leigh Richmond, and Edward L.

(VI) Edward L. Myers, son of George Henry and Caroline W. (Weiss)



Myers, was born in Bethlehem, May 20, 1880. After attendance at the public schools, he prepared for college at St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire. He was graduated from Harvard University in the class of 1914, with the degree of A.B., and after returning to Bethlehem became identified with several business enterprises, among them the Bethlehem Cleaning & Dyeing Company, of which he became president. The Roscommon Water Company is another of his connections, and he is one of the principal stockholders of the Times Publishing Company, also being financially interested in numerous other business and financial organizations in the locality, among them the Bethlehem Construction Company, of which he is a director. Mr. Myers is active as an energetic, public-spirited citizen, in all civic movements, and is a Progressive in thought and action. The "hill-to-hill" bridge project had no more enthusiastic advocate than he, and he was captain of one of the most successful contribution teams, heading his list with a generous amount. The realized faith of the elder Myers in Bethlehem's future is shared by Mr. Myers, who is a decided optimist as regards Bethlehem's advancement along all lines, an expectation amply justified in the light of its recent progress as an industrial and residential center.

Soon after the entrance of the United States into the European War, Mr. Myers enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Third Ammunition Train, and was stationed at Camp Hancock, where he was assigned to duty as instructor until the departure of his organization for France, having during this period become first sergeant. He was one of the organizers of the Yo Eddie Club, an organization that performed splendid work in supplying tobacco and other comforts to Bethlehem's soldiers and sailors in camp and on foreign service, and that arranged for their reception and entertainment on their return home. The activity of this club is one of the brightest pages in the history of the city's patriotic response to war needs.

Mr. Myers is a devotee of all out-of-door sports, motoring and golf his favorite recreations. He is a member of the Lehigh Country Club, the Northampton County Country Club, the Country Club of Atlantic City, New Jersey, the Seaview Golf Club, the Bethlehem Club, and the Harvard Club of Philadelphia. He fraternizes with Bethlehem Lodge No. 191, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Myers is a generous friend of the Bethlehem institutions for charity and social service, and in a quietly effective manner has made the aid of the unfortunate his habit. He is a popular member of the younger generation of Bethlehem's business men, and among his wide circle of social and business friends is known as "Ted" Myers.

Mr. Myers married, May 12, 1919, Martha Bergen, daughter of Mrs. Sophia Kunst, of Rittersville, Pennsylvania.

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**PARKE HILL DAVIS**—Parke Hill Davis, the son of Jonah and Susan (Hill) Davis, was born at Jamestown, New York, July 16, 1871. His early education was obtained at the public schools of his native city. Graduating from the Jamestown High School, he entered Princeton University, in the class of 1893. While a student of this institution he began his legal studies in the class of Woodrow Wilson, then Professor of Jurisprudence. He received his degree of A.B. in 1893, and that of A.M. in 1896, from his *alma mater*.

Mr. Davis was admitted to the practice of his profession at Madison, Wisconsin, and in 1897 became a member of the bar of Northampton county, Pennsylvania. He served as district attorney for that county from 1901 to 1904. He is nationally known for his interest in collegiate sports, on which he is the author of several works and a frequent contributor to the magazines and periodicals of the country. He is also the author of the chapter on the Bench and Bar of Northampton County for this publication. Among his most important works to the sporting literature of the country is his "Football, The American Intercollegiate Game," published by Scribners in 1910, and his





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"Princeton's Athletic Records." Mr. Davis is prominently identified with the Masonic fraternity, and was from 1904 to 1907 worshipful master of Dallas Lodge at Easton, Pennsylvania. He and his family are members of the Episcopal church.

Mr. Davis married, at Easton, Pennsylvania, June 29, 1898, Edith Detwiller, daughter of John and Arabella K. Detwiller, and their children are: Elizabeth Virginia, born July 15, 1899; Katharine, born December 11, 1901; John Detwiller, born February 12, 1904; and Cynthia Parke, born January 20, 1906.

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**JACOB PETER HESS**—Jacob Peter Hess, a resident of North Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was born about a mile north of the present home on a large farm, which has been in the family for three generations in succession. He is a son of Thomas and Catherine (Kern) Hess.

Jacob Hess, grandfather of Jacob P. Hess, came from Lower Saucon, Pennsylvania, where he probably was born, to the farm, and there spent the later years of his life, and died at the age of eighty-two years. For forty years he had been organist at the Saucon church, but at his death was buried at Altoona, Pennsylvania. He married ———— Lerch, and they were the parents of several children, among whom were: Charles, served as county commissioner, and remained in the vicinity of the family farm, as did a couple of his sisters; and Thomas, of whom further.

Thomas Hess, father of Jacob P. Hess, married Catherine Kern, of Mount Bethel, Pennsylvania. In politics he was a Democrat, as was usually the case of the Hess family. Thomas and Catherine (Kern) Hess were the parents of five sons and two daughters, namely: James, a silk manufacturer at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania; Charles, a farmer near the old home; Henry, a druggist in Bethlehem; Frank, a carpenter, was killed at the age of twenty-six years by the fall of a scaffold; Jacob Peter, of whom further; Sarah, now living with her sister; Alice, wife of Herbert Saeger, now living on a small tract near the old farm, where her father spent his last years.

Jacob Peter Hess, the eldest son of Thomas and Catherine (Kern) Hess, received his education in the local schools. He took charge of the old farm of his father, at whose death he bought the land, consisting of one hundred and seventeen acres. In 1918 he sold the land to the Melrose Land Company, who plotted it out into small residential tracts and called it Melrose Park. During the short time that Jacob P. Hess owned the family farm, the city of Bethlehem had so expanded that it became necessary to have additional residence space. The Hess tract was conveniently situated just north of the city, and consequently it commanded a very attractive price, which brought to Jacob P. Hess a sum many times greater than his purchase price. He married Anna Seip, of Seipsville, near Easton, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Hess have two children: Carrie, wife of Asher Lerch, a chemist with the Bethlehem Steel Company; and Thomas, a draftsman with the same company.

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**JOSIAH BACHMAN**—Josiah Bachman, who was one of Bethlehem's veteran business men, was a native of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and a member of one of the county's pioneer families founded by Christian Bachman, who came to America from Switzerland and settled in Lower Saucon township. He and his wife reared a family of eleven children—ten sons and one daughter—and from these sons probably every one bearing the Bachman name in this section of the State are descended. The line of descent to Josiah Bachman of this review is through George, son of Christian; Solomon, son of George; George, son of Solomon. Josiah, son of George.

Solomon Bachman married and removed to New York State, where his son George was born, but returned to Freemansburg when the latter was one year old. George Bachman attended the schools of Freemansburg, in which



place his entire business life was spent. He was for many years engaged in building boats for the Lehigh canal, was postmaster of Freemansburg, and generally active in public affairs. He was a staunch Democrat, was for many years chief burgess of Fremansburg, and in 1844 was elected to the Pennsylvania State Legislature and re-elected in 1846. He was a Lutheran in religious belief, and one of the solid and highly honored citizens of his community. He married Sarah, daughter of John and Catherine (Ball) Laubach, a direct descendant of Reinhardt Laubach, founder of the prominent Laubach family, and one of Lower Saucon township's earliest pioneer settlers. George and Sarah (Laubach) Bachman had a family of five children, of whom Josiah Bachman is the youngest and only surviving member. George Bachman was born in May, 1800, and died in December, 1869. Sarah Laubach was born in September, 1801, and died in January, 1886.

Josiah Bachman, youngest son of George and Sarah (Laubach) Bachman, was born on the homestead farm near Freemansburg, June 13, 1836. He attended the public schools of Freemansburg and Saucon, and for a short time a private school in Bethlehem. In 1852 he began his business career as bookkeeper in the office of his father's boat-building establishment, also attending to the post-office, of which his father had been appointed postmaster. He continued with his father until 1867, and then for a year was engaged in the wholesale coal business. He next was appointed boating agent for the Morris canal at Jersey City, New Jersey, continuing until 1869, when his father's death called him home, and he was for a time engaged in settling up the affairs of the estate.

In 1870 he and his brothers, and brother-in-law, Aaron N. Clewell, organized the Lehigh Valley Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of soaps and candles, and to this organization his energies were devoted until 1874, when he was appointed cashier of the Pine Grove Furnace, of the Thomas Iron Company, in Cumberland county, and two years later, when the operation of the furnace was discontinued, he was made superintendent of the property, consisting of 25,000 acres of land, furnaces and railway.

In 1878 he began his business connection with Weston Dodson & Company, which continued without interruption for forty years, or until his retirement from active affairs in 1918. Beginning as a bookkeeper, he was a few years later placed in charge of the private accounts of the Dodson Brothers. In 1888, when the Dodson Coal Company was organized, he was elected secretary and treasurer, and also served in this dual office in the score of subsidiary organizations of the company. In 1902, when the Dodson interests were reorganized under the title of Weston Dodson & Company, Inc., he was elected secretary and treasurer, and so served until his retirement, July 1, 1918, this date marking incidentally the passing of the sixty-sixth year of active business life.

Mr. Bachman had been a Republican since the party's organization, casting his first vote for President Lincoln. He was a member of the United Evangelical church of Freemansburg, and for many years was active in church and Sabbath school work. In 1888 he removed from Freemansburg to Bethlehem, resided there continuously until his death, and was an active and useful factor in the city's development during the last three decades. He always took a stand with the Progressives in civic affairs, and was a consistent contributor to all worthy charitable objects.

Mr. Bachman's death, after a brief illness, occurred December 24, 1919, at the age of eighty-three years, six months and eleven days. The funeral of Josiah Bachman took place from his late residence, 302 Wall street, December 27, 1919, with services at the house, the Rev. J. S. Heisler, of Bethlehem, and the Rev. S. K. DeBinder, of Fremansburg, officiating. Interment was made in the family plot in Nisky Hill Cemetery. The honorary pallbearers were: Truman M. Dodson, Alan C. Dodson, Major W. R. Coyle, G. Reginald





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Radford, Captain Frank C. Stout and Harvey W. Kessler; while C. F. Snyder, F. B. Hartman, C. B. Jacoby, W. F. Ehr Gott, E. L. Mack, Mr. Gross, Mr. Search and Benson Hartney, fellow employees of Weston Dodson & Company, Inc., were the active pallbearers.

**JAMES BAKER**—Since 1883, Mr. Baker has been a resident of East Bangor, Pennsylvania, where he has since been continuously identified with the slate mining interests. He is a son of James Baker, who left his English home in 1884 and joined his son in East Bangor, Pennsylvania, where he was employed in the slate quarries until his death in 1906. He became a citizen of the United States, was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of East Bangor, and a man highly respected. His wife, Jane (Taylor) Baker, who accompanied him from England, died in East Bangor, in 1907. They were the parents of seven children: James (2), of further mention; Elizabeth Ann, deceased, married Harry Long; Hannah, deceased, married Henry Miller; Mary Jane, deceased, married Thomas Parsons; John, of East Bangor; Samuel, of Easton Bangor; and William, of Virginia.

James (2) Baker was born in Cornwall, England, May 21, 1866, and there spent the first seventeen years of his life. He became familiar with mines and mining in Cornwall, but in 1883 he decided to come to the United States. He made his way to East Bangor, Pennsylvania, and there became a State quarryman, a line of business he has continuously followed for thirty-six years, but in constantly increasing positions of responsibility. For the past three years he has been superintendent of the Colonial Slate Company at Windgap, Pennsylvania, and for five years previous had been superintendent for J. S. Myers & Company in one of their slate mills. He is thorough master of his business, and has won high reputation among slate quarry owners, slate manufacturers, and the quarrymen who work under his direction. In politics Mr. Baker is a Republican, and has held the office of justice of the peace since 1904. So careful is he to be just in his justice court decisions, and so well does he understand his rights, duties and privileges as a justice, and so sure are those against whom he is compelled to rule that justice has been rendered them, that it is a matter of record that no decisions which he has rendered as justice have ever been reversed, and appeals are few. He has also served East Bangor as school director, tax collector and councilman. He is a member and a past chief official of Bangor Lodge No. 72, Loyal Order of Moose; past sachem of Tribe No. 332, Improved Order of Red Men; and past chief official of East Bangor Lodge, Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Mr. Baker married Eliza Prout, daughter of Thomas and Mary Ann Prout, of East Bangor. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are the parents of two children: Bessie M., married George Bronatha, deceased, May 16, 1916; John P., of Hellertown, Pennsylvania, married Marion King.

**ABRAHAM STOUT, M.D.**—The history, and particularly the medical history of Northampton county, would be incomplete without extended mention of Dr. Abraham Stout, who for over a half century of active medical and surgical practice held place among the leaders of his chosen profession in Eastern Pennsylvania. He represented with honor a family long identified with the county, and he was of its fourth generation. His great-grandfather, Jacob Stout, came from Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, shortly before the Revolutionary War, and settled in Williams township, where he became a prosperous farmer and worthy citizen. His son, Isaac Stout, also lived throughout a long lifetime on the old homestead farm, married, and had a son, Isaac, who was the father of Dr. Stout of this review.

Isaac Stout was a farmer and mill owner, and one of the influential men of his community. He served in the War of 1812 with the rank of major. He took an active part in public affairs, served for many years as justice of the



peace, and as postmaster of the village of Stouts, named in honor of his family. In 1836 he represented his district in the Pennsylvania State Legislature. He married Catherine Clemens, a native of Doylestown, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, member of one of Bucks county's old Scotch-Irish families.

Dr. Abraham Stout, son of Isaac and Catherine (Clemens) Stout, was born at the Williams township homestead, August 22, 1831. He died January 9, 1918, having passed his eighty-sixth birthday, and in this upheld the family tradition for longevity, his great-grandfather having lived to a great age, his grandfather, Isaac (1) Stout, died at the age of eighty years, and his father, Isaac (2) Stout, at seventy years. Dr. Stout spent his early boyhood in the village of Stouts, and received his elementary education there. He prepared for college at the old Vandever Academy, Easton, Pennsylvania, under the tutelage of Dr. Vanderveer. In 1850 he entered Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, where he continued for one and a half years, and then began the study of medicine with his uncle, Dr. Abraham Stout, one of the most eminent physicians of his day. In 1852 he entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, graduating with the class of 1855 with honors and the degree of M.D., and while there studied under the great Dr. Agnew. Returning to Bethlehem, he became associated in practice with his uncle and preceptor, and so continued until the elder's retirement.

In 1862 Dr. Stout tendered his services to the government and was appointed assistant surgeon of the One Hundred and Fifty-third Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, with rank of first lieutenant, by Governor Curtin, of Pennsylvania. He was assigned to the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the campaigns that included the battles of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville and Gettysburg. He resigned from the service and received honorable discharge, July, 1863, being subsequently tendered a commission of surgeon of cavalry, which appointment he declined on account of family and business affairs. Following his Civil War service he returned to Bethlehem, in 1863, and from that date to the time a few years before his death, when failing health compelled his retirement from active practice, he held a position of leadership in the medical profession of this section of the State. He was for nine years surgeon-in-charge of St. Luke's Hospital, and consulting surgeon of that institution until his death; a member, and for years president, of the Lehigh Valley Association of Railway Surgeons; was a member and served as president of the Northampton County Medical Association; member and for many years treasurer of the Lehigh County Medical Association; and member of the Pennsylvania State Medical Association and the American Medical Association. He was appointed by President Cleveland, United States pension examiner and continued in this service through subsequent administrations. He was a Mason of long standing, identified with Bethlehem Commandery, Knights Templar. He was one of the charter members of J. K. Taylor Post, Grand Army of the Republic; member of the Loyal Legion, and various other patriotic organizations, and a communicant of the Bethlehem Moravian Congregation.

Dr. Stout married Mary L. Cortright, daughter of Ira Cortright, a coal operator and for many years a leading railway builder and resident of Bethlehem. Of this marriage three sons were born: Ira, deceased; Dr. George Clymer Stout, and Dr. Charles Edward Stout. Dr. Stout's long residence in Bethlehem, covering a period of sixty-three years, comprises a record of high devotion to professional duty and the obligations of useful citizenship. In his death the medical profession lost one who had lived up to its strictest ethics, and the community one of its most honored citizens.

“WAS GRADUATED IN 1855”

“The following bill was presented to Dr. Abraham Stout, in settling up his debt for a renewal of his subscription, wrote these words on the bill in a clear, firm and vigorous

script, a little flourish to the "d," the "r" dotted and the "t" crossed. It was an expression of an abiding faith significant of a long and useful life, and of love for his *alma mater*. What visions must have appeared on the curtain of his memory as the year 1855 was written?

Sixty-one years of continuous warfare against the malignant forces which, for want of a better name, we call diseases; which strike at innocence in the cradle, youth in its blossom, and manhood in its strength. Engaged in a warfare against which even the most ardent peace propagandists advocate preparedness. A good physician, whose hours were from dawn to dawn, through winter snow and summer heat, as a saviour, and, in too many cases, without recompense. That was, and is, the life of the practitioner beside whom the laboratory mole may become a greater scientist, but may be a lesser man.

\* From *Old Penn*, May 6, 1916. Editorial by R. E. Nitzsche, *Editor*.

**ALVIN HARVEY RICE**—While during his years, forty-eight, Mr. Rice has engaged in various occupations, his real interest is expressed by the business in which he is now engaged, the gathering of antiques and historical information from the pioneer homes of the Lehigh Valley, and in their classification, cataloguing and disposal. His headquarters are in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and is well known among collectors and dealers in antiques.

Alvin Harvey Rice, son of Elias B. and Ellen (Buss) Rice, was born in Bethlehem township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, April 9, 1870. His parents were both born in Bethlehem township, of an ancient family in that county, his mother's ancestor, John Buss, dying in Bethlehem township in 1821, survived by his widow Catherine and many children and grandchildren. Alvin H. Rice was educated in Bethlehem public schools and Schwartz Academy, then returned to the farm, continuing as an agriculturist until about the time of his marriage in 1892. Not long afterward he was treated by Dr. Estes, of St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem, and so well satisfied was he with the treatment received at the hospital, that he remained there for some time as ambulance driver. From that position he went to the Bethlehem Iron Company, in their yard railroad department, remaining four years, then became an agent of the Prudential Life Insurance Company, at Bethlehem. A term as a grocer was followed by a period of three years as proprietor of a bowling alley, located on New street, adjoining his home. For more than a quarter of a century, Mr. Rice has been a collector of antiques and curios, the acquiring of such being his passion. With acquisition came the desire for intimate knowledge, and he knows the historical value of the articles he handles. In 1901 he disposed of his other business interests and has since devoted himself to the search for antiques, their purchase and sale. He has become an authority on all forms of curios found in the pioneer localities of Eastern Pennsylvania, Southern New York and New Jersey, glassware, pottery and stove plates particularly interesting him. On June 17, 1916, he read a most interesting paper before the Bucks County Historical Society in session at Doylestown, the subject of the paper, "Stove Plate Hunting." This later was published in 1917, in vol. iv, of "A Collection of Papers," read before the Bucks County Historical Society. Glass, pottery and china also attracts his attention as an expert, and he was able to be of great assistance in furnishing both information and specimens to Edwin A. Barber, Ph.D., who since 1907 has been director of the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, whose published works is on "The Tulip Ware of the Pennsylvania German Potters," and "Anglo-American Pottery," devoted to old English china.

Mr. Rice married, June 25, 1892, Clara J. Rockel, also an enthusiastic collector of antiques, and a daughter of Peter and Anna Rockel, a prominent Northampton county family, founded in Eastern Pennsylvania by Balser Rockel, who settled in the village of Shoenersville, where the inscription upon their gravestones is clearly discernible:

## NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Balser Rockel, born November 10, 1707, died July 9, 1800,  
aged 91 years 8 mos.

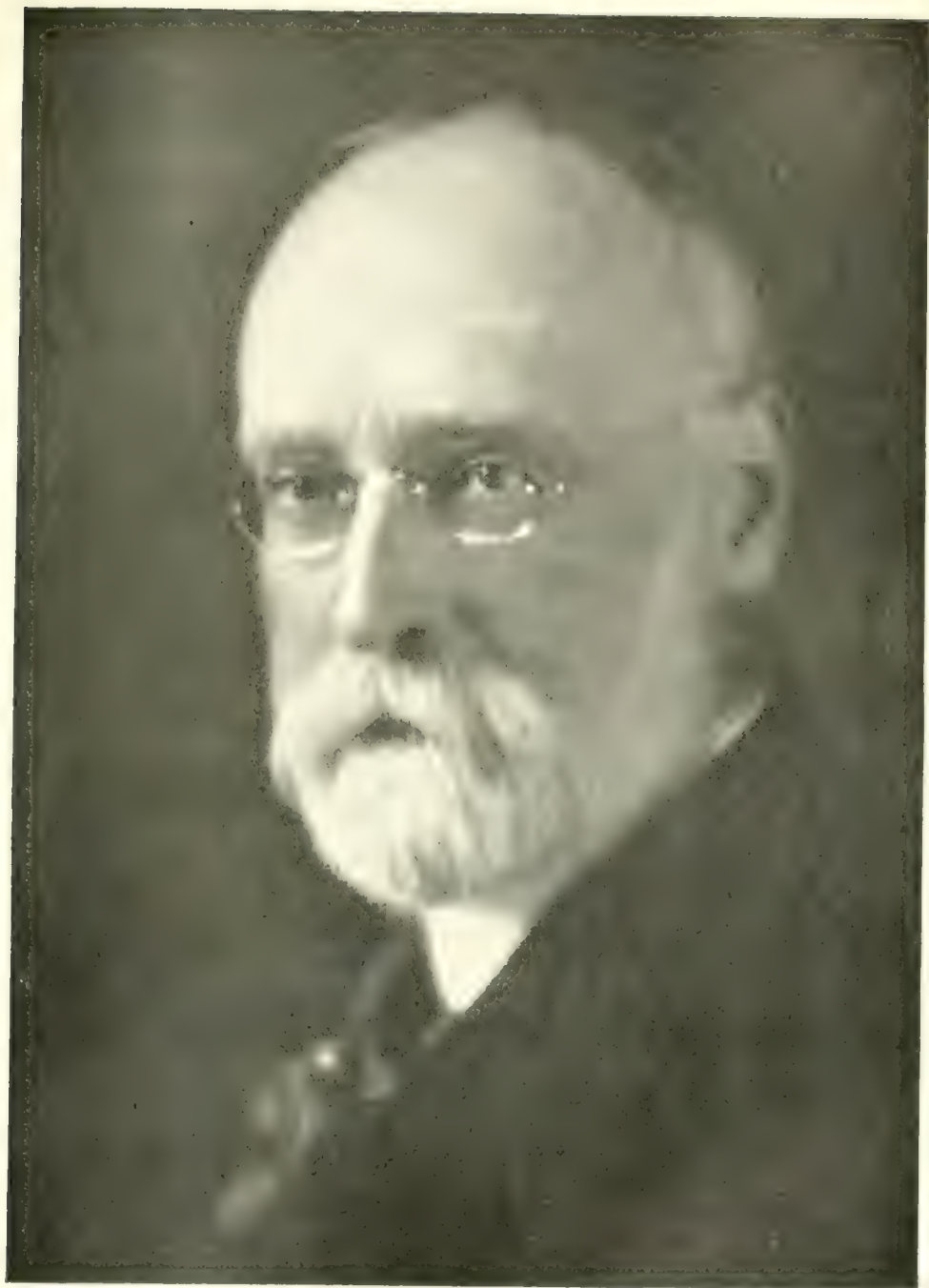
Elizabeth Kehler (wife of Balser Rockel), born June 24,  
1719, died October 16, 1794, aged 75 years.

Mrs. Clara J. (Rockel) Rice died May 6, 1916, leaving six children: Stanley A., was a soldier in the United States Army; Asher; Sterling Henry; Edward and Davis Rice; one child, Harvey, died in infancy. Mr. Rice is an independent Democrat, and a member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.

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**ALBERT NEWTON CLEAVER**—Albert Newton Cleaver, whose residence in Bethlehem has extended over a half century, a half century devoted to a great diversity of activities in connection with the city's business, civic, church, philanthropic and educational development, is a native of Norwich, Vermont, born February 25, 1848, the son of John Oliver and Elizabeth (Newton) Cleaver. Both on his paternal and maternal sides Mr. Cleaver descends from old American stock, the Newton family having been founded in Massachusetts in 1640, and the Cleaver family in Pennsylvania in 1682, both families of English ancestry.

His father, John Oliver Cleaver, an engineer by profession, was one of the pioneer anthracite coal operators of Pennsylvania, having operated the Coleraine Colliery at Beaver Meadow. He later removed his residence to Mauch Chunk, where his death occurred in 1853. Albert Newton Cleaver received his elementary education in a private school in Mauch Chunk, entering in 1859 Saunders Military Academy at Philadelphia and later attended Eagleswood Military Academy near Perth Amboy, New Jersey. He has been identified with the anthracite coal business during his entire active lifetime, his first employment after leaving school being in the capacity of salesman for one of the large Pennsylvania collieries. In 1869 he came to Bethlehem, and on the organization of the Lehigh Valley National Bank in 1872 was elected its first cashier, a post he held for the following year and a half, when he was tendered by Dr. Linderman, president of the bank, the position of manager of the coal firm of Linderman, Skeer & Company, serving in this capacity until 1866. He next became connected with the wholesale and retail coal business of W. C. Mason & Company, Inc., with offices in Hartford, Connecticut, and New York City, of which organization he was elected and still serves as president. In 1915 he was appointed manager of the wholesale coal firm of Robinson, Hayden & Company, of New York City. Mr. Cleaver is financially interested in a number of other business and financial institutions, is vice-president and a director of the Lehigh Valley National Bank, having been elected to the vice-presidency in 1919. He is a director of many years standing of the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company, and from 1902 to 1907 was president of the Jeansville Iron Works Company, at Hazelton, Pennsylvania, and is president of Sayre Mining & Manufacturing Company, colliery operators in the Birmingham, Alabama, district. Aside from strictly business interests few men have given so freely of their time, means and energy to the city's civic affairs. He has served for years as a trustee of Lehigh University, and is a trustee and one of the staunchest friends of St. Luke's Hospital. He has been for a long period on the board of managers, treasurer and a guarantor of Bach Choir; also one of the organizers and a director of the Associated Charities of Bethlehem, organized to consolidate the entire city's charitable activities under one responsible and well trained philanthropic head. He is a member of the Episcopal Pro-Cathedral Church of the Nativity, one of its most zealous lay workers, is a vestryman and senior warden, and from 1907 to 1919 served as one of the lay deputies from the diocese of Bethlehem to the General Conventions of the Episcopal church. For thirty years he has been deputy from the Nativity parish to the diocesan conventions. He is a member of the Bethlehem Club, the Northampton



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County Country Club, the Pennsylvania Society of New York, Pennsylvania Branch Sons of the Revolution, and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Cleaver married, June 1, 1876, Elizabeth K. Sayre, daughter of the late Robert H. and Evelyn (Smith) Sayre. Mrs. Cleaver is one of the most active of the women of Bethlehem in civic, church and philanthropic affairs, and a member of the Associated Charities, the Woman's Club, Ladies' Aid Society of St. Luke's Hospital, and devoted to the interests of the Public Library. Mr. Cleaver is universally recognized as a business man of exceptional ability, a worthy and valuable citizen of broad public spirit, whose share in the upbuilding of his adopted city has been and is highly appreciated by his fellow citizens.

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**JOHN ASHBY CHRISTIE**—At the age of fifteen years, in 1901, Mr. Christie entered the employ of R. G. Dun & Company, in Philadelphia, and from that age he has known no other business interest, being now (1919) manager of the Easton (Pennsylvania) agency of the company. His father, James Christie, a contractor and builder of Philadelphia, was also prominent in the political activities of city and State. He married Elizabeth Ashby, and they were the parents of a son, John Ashby, and a daughter, Elizabeth.

John Ashby Christie was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, February 12, 1886. He was educated in the public schools, finishing in high school, later attending night classes at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He began his connection with R. G. Dun & Company in 1901, his first position being at the very foot of the business, junior office boy. He soon rose to better position, and also added to his education equipment by night class study. He was advanced in rank and enrollment several times, and in 1912 was appointed a contracting solicitor, covering the mill industry of Philadelphia. He continued in that position until 1918, and in April of that year was made local manager and placed in charge of the Easton office of the company. He has fairly won his promotion, and with his youth, enthusiasm and recognized ability the future holds brilliant promise for him. Mr. Christie is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, Easton Rotary Club, Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church, and in political action is an independent. In his school days a skillful basketball player, Mr. Christie has always retained a keen interest in athletic sports. He is entirely devoted to the business which has claimed him from boyhood, and at a recent meeting of the Rotary Club he gave a most interesting address upon the history of the inception and growth of that great commercial agency, R. G. Dun & Company, which he locally manages.

Mr. Christie married, October 15, 1913, Alma J. Templeman, daughter of John L. and Margaret (Cummings) Templeman, of Aberdeen, Maryland. They are the parents of two children: William T. and John J.

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**DODSON FAMILY**—Among the contributions of this early Pennsylvania family to the history of the State have been the records of many men prominent in business and industrial life and the professions. The line was founded in America by three children of Daniel and Susanne Dodson—John, Mary and Thomas—who came from Yorkshire, England, in 1667 with a company of Quakers, settling at Burlington, New Jersey.

(I) The ancestor of the branch herein recorded was John Dodson, born in Yorkshire, England, in 1655, who left New Jersey about 1682 and made his home in Cheltenham township, then Philadelphia county, and transactions wherein his name appears are recorded in the county records as late as 1725.

(II) Thomas Dodson, son of John Dodson, located in Chester county, Pennsylvania, about 1723. He married, in 1718, Mary Prigg, the ceremony being performed in the First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, and they were the parents of twelve children.

(III) The eleventh of these children was Samuel Dodson, who was born in 1738 and died in 1796. He married Elizabeth Rhodes, in 1762, and soon afterward moved to a section of old Northampton county, now in Lehigh county, establishing his home on Mahoning Creek. This was close to the Bethlehem Moravian settlement and the family united with that church. Their second daughter, Abigail, is noted in local history as having been captured by the Indians, being rescued after five years passed with various tribes; she was educated by the Moravians.

(IV) John (2) Dodson, fourth child and second son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Rhodes) Dodson, was born February 26, 1771, and died May 9, 1859. After his father's death, in 1796, he became the virtual head of the family of ten children. In his twenty-first year he left the Mahoning homestead and moved to Huntington, Luzerne county, where he purchased a farm and resided to the end of a long life of eighty-eight years. He was a man of sterling worth and character who took special interest in public affairs, promoting the common welfare in many ways—in the establishment and maintenance of public schools, the building and improvement of highways, and the encouragement of local industries. He was an old line Whig in politics, but upon the organization of the Republican party espoused its cause and principles. As "Squire" Dodson he held the office of justice of the peace for many years through appointment of successive governors. His hospitality and generosity were a byword in the region, and his charity for those less fortunate than he, was limited only by his means. He was an admirable type of the old school gentleman and received the tribute of the quaint sobriquet, "Gentleman John," by which he was known to thousands. John (2) Dodson married (first) Clarissa Harrison, daughter of Stephen and Susan (Franklin) Harrison, her mother a cousin of Benjamin Franklin. She died in 1820, and he married (second), in 1821, Sophronia Monroe. Children of his first marriage: Nancy, Ann, Amanda Susannah, Samuel, Elizabeth, Sarah, Stephen Harrison, Miner, Stephen Harrison (2) and Clarissa Harrison. Children of his second marriage: Miner Delanson, Weston, a sketch of whom follows; Dr. Nathan Monroe, J. Quincy Adams, Truman Monroe, a sketch of whom follows; Dr. Franklin, Mary, Charles Millard, a sketch of whom follows; and Joseph Seymour. Of these children Weston, Truman Monroe and Charles Millard eventually settled in Bethlehem, and their careers were of strong influence upon the city's development.

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**WESTON DODSON**—Founder of the coal mining and distributing organization, Weston Dodson & Company, Weston Dodson was born on the Luzerne county homestead, April 2, 1824, and died in Bethlehem, December 8, 1889. He was educated in the schools of Luzerne county, and in young manhood came to Freemansburg, where he engaged in business. He made Bethlehem the seat of his operations in 1859, entering the anthracite coal business and conducting his dealings as Weston Dodson. When, in 1863, he was joined by his brother, Charles M., the firm title became Weston Dodson & Brother. A few years afterward the collieries at Audenried and Morea, Pennsylvania, were opened, and the future operations of the concern were as Weston Dodson & Company. In the properties of the Dodson interests the new era of coal mining first found welcome, with the installation of the latest development in mine machinery, and the adoption of many safety appliances. Comfortable homes for the employees were also built and every possible effort made to provide for the safety and comfort of the mine workers. The following is quoted from a printed tribute of one who knew Mr. Dodson intimately:

Mr. Dodson was a man of strong and quick intelligence. He made little show of it, however; he was a good deal interested in public affairs and especially in the recent issues of political economy, but he was no politician and no talker. If he impressed himself on the world about him, it was not in any of those ways which ordinarily command men's regard and admiration. He was simply a quiet, unobtrusive gentleman of refined tastes

and habits, a business man of undiminished integrity and reputation, a humble, a devout follower of One Whose name was very seldom on his lips, but Whose precepts were written upon his heart and life. That is absolutely all. . . . His life said all there was to say, his daily walk was a single utterance of his belief and hope. If there was not something Divine in that existence he ever tried so anxiously to square with duty, in that sweet abiding charity which years of experience could not narrow or make cold, in that gentle courtesy of breeding which was begotten so utterly of his consideration for others, in that keen and happy wit which could always raise the laugh and never left a wound,—if there is nothing of God in this then it matters little indeed that he helped to found a church and gave liberally to it of his means. For us, what he was among the sanctities of the house of God is a precious memory, not because it is a thing by itself, but because it is at one with all his life besides.

Weston Dodson married, April 12, 1850, Jane Elizabeth Craig, and they were the parents of: Mary, married George Reginald Radford; Charles Miner, married Louisa Lake, and has Weston Dodson 2nd, James Lake and Margaret; Jane, married William Radford Coyle, of the United States Navy, and they have a son, William Radford, Jr., and a daughter, Jane Weston Coyle.

**TRUMAN MONROE DODSON** Identified throughout his life of seventy-eight years with numerous leading industrial and financial institutions in the Lehigh Valley, Truman Monroe Dodson wrote another chapter of worth and honor in the history of the family of Dodson. He was born in Huntington, Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, January 20, 1830, and died at his residence, No. 222 East Market street, April 4, 1908. After completing his youthful studies he obtained his early business experience mainly in West Virginia, whence he came from Wheeling, to Bethlehem, in 1871. He became associated with his brothers in the firm of Weston Dodson & Company, and at the time of his death was president of the company. He was one of the incorporators of the Lehigh Valley National Bank of Bethlehem, for many years a director and official, and for several years prior to his death its president. He was a man of high standing in the anthracite coal industry and was long the occupant of honored and respected positions, from which only death removed him. He was one of the charter members of the Trinity Episcopal Church, on Market street, Bethlehem, and from its organization as a parish served continuously as a vestryman.

Mr. Dodson married, January 12, 1887, Katharine Hamlin, daughter of William K. and Caroline Hamlin, of Bethlehem.

**CHARLES MILLARD DODSON**, youngest of the three Dodson brothers, was born in Huntington, Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, March 10, 1836, and died February 28, 1917. Because of the limited advantages offered by the public schools in the neighborhood of his home at that time, he was sent, when about fourteen years of age, to Baltimore, Maryland, where he attended the private school known as Newton Academy, conducted by Thomas Lester & Brother on West Baltimore street. Two years afterward he became a student in Luzerne Academy, at Wyoming, Pennsylvania, and after a two years' course became a clerk in the office of William Milnes, a miner and shipper of anthracite coal at Jeanesville, Pennsylvania, later transferring to the shipping office at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania. Subsequently he was in the transportation department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company at Wheeling, West Virginia, and after three years in this service he began the study of law in the office of Messrs. Wheeler and Kimball. For a year he continued office work, then, after a course in the Law College at Cleveland, Ohio, he was admitted by the Supreme Court to the Ohio bar. In partnership with Judge Wilson C. Lennert he began the practice of his profession in Bucyrus, Ohio, and continued in legal work until 1863, when he joined his brother Weston in anthracite coal operations as Weston Dodson & Brother, with a main office at Bethlehem and branch offices at No. 228 Dock street, Philadelphia, and Old Trinity building, New York. His association



with the firm continued under its later designation, Weston Dodson & Company, and from 1908 until his death he was its president, his entire membership in the firm and his presidency of the corporation covering a period of fifty-four years. He was for many years a director of the Lehigh Valley National Bank, and for several years was president of that well known institution.

Mr. Dodson was interested in many local philanthropic and charitable institutions and was a trustee of St. Luke's Hospital. He was senior warden of Trinity Episcopal church, devoted in his religious duties, a man who conformed to high personal standards.

Mr. Dodson married, December 26, 1872, Maria Rebecca Craig, born March 3, 1842, and they were the parents of Charles Weston, Truman Monroe and Alan Craig Dodson.

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**JOHN RONEY**, now a veteran railroad man, who from boyhood until the closing of the present year, 1919, has known no other employer than the Lehigh Valley railroad, may review his career with the liveliest satisfaction, for it is one of exceptional honor and usefulness. He is the son of Joseph Roney, born in Baden, Germany, but lost his father at an early age, and was brought to the United States when a lad of nine years, finding a home in Brooklyn, New York, where he attended the public schools. In that city he also learned the baker's trade, and later moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, where he married Sarah Weaver, born in Fremansburg, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, daughter of John and Sarah Weaver, of Easton. Joseph Roney and his wife established their home on the South Side, and there spent their lives, Mr. Roney being employed at his trade. When the war between the States was waged he early enlisted as a private in the Twelfth Regiment, Pennsylvania Cavalry, and for four years followed the flag of his adopted country wherever it led. At Gettysburg he was acting as a dispatch bearer in a portion of the battlefield where he was exposed to great danger, and finally did receive a wound which for a time incapacitated him from duty. He took part in many battles and won a good reputation as a brave soldier, receiving an honorable discharge at the close of the war. In civil life he was a quiet, self-respecting citizen, both he and his wife consistent members of the Lutheran church, he a Republican in his party affiliation. He died in Easton, in 1916, aged eighty-two years, his wife, whom he long survived, dying at the age of sixty-seven. Joseph and Sarah (Weaver) Roney were the parents of four children: John, of whom further; Mary, who died unmarried; William E., a minister of the Lutheran church, who died in Danville, Pennsylvania, leaving a widow, Clara (Richards) Roney; and Sarah A., married Robert F. Michael, and resides in Easton.

John Roney, eldest child of Joseph and Sarah (Weaver) Roney, was born in South Easton, Pennsylvania, September 19, 1856, and there has ever made his home. He was educated in the public schools, but at the age of fifteen his school years ended, and he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley railroad, his first assignment being to a work train, his wages \$1.70 daily. A year later, in 1872, he left the work train for the round house, there becoming an engine wiper and machinist's helper. On May 1, 1874, he was promoted to the left-hand side of the cab, and he rode proudly out of the round house as the duly appointed fireman of Engine No. 24, named Lilliput, the first engine to draw a train over the extension of the Lehigh beyond Easton to Perth Amboy on tidewater. That division was ready for service in June, 1876, and the first time-table issued bore date of June 28 of that year. Mr. Roney did not continue on that division after its opening, but was transferred to Engine No. 12, running between Easton and Wilkes-Barre, that engine bearing the name, New Jersey. On October 12, 1879, he was promoted to the right-hand side of the cab, and became one of the engineers of the Lehigh &

New Jersey division. He continued in active service as engineer until December 1, 1898, then was transferred to another branch of the service. His new position was to the responsible post of air-brake instructor and air-brake inspector for the entire Lehigh system, and for ten years he fully met the requirements of his exacting position. On December 1, 1908, he was transferred to the Lehigh & New Jersey division as road foreman of engines. He served in that position until November 11, 1913, when he received a further promotion in appointment to the post of assistant trainmaster of the same division. His headquarters are at Easton, and there he is rounding out an almost half-century of continuous service. This proud and enviable record, beginning in boyhood and after forty-seven years of honorable service in many capacities still continuing, is one not often duplicated, and entitles the compiler to be regarded in a most favorable light. It bespeaks loyalty and ability of the highest order, trustworthiness and reliability under every circumstance. He is still well within the age of retirement limit, and further usefulness to his company will follow until that limit is reached.

When South Easton was yet a borough, Mr. Roney was elected a member of the Borough Council. He cast his first vote for Rutherford B. Hayes for president of the United States, and has ever since been a constant supporter of Republican candidates. He is a member of the Lutheran church, for years was its secretary, and for a few years a deacon. He is a member of Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Columbia Lodge No. 139, Patriotic Order Sons of America; Easton Lodge, Improved Order of Red Men.

Mr. Roney married, in Easton, Mary C. Roberts, daughter of John B. and Sarah Roberts. The family home at No. 1013 Wilkes-Barre street, South Easton, was built by Mr. Roney in 1877, and has been their continuous residence for forty-one years. Mrs. Roney is also a member of the Lutheran church. They are the parents of four children: Joseph Henry, a machinist's helper in the Lehigh Valley railroad shops; Sarah Ann, wife of John Schaible, of Easton, and the mother of three sons, John, Edward and William Schaible; Naomi Gertrude, married Reuben Messinger, of Easton, and has children: John, Gladys, Helen, Paul, Evelyn and Clair; Reuben, residing with his parents.

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**RUSSELL CHARLES SEIBEL**—A former manager of Seip's Restaurant and Café, Mr. Seibel has gained a wide acquaintance and high reputation as a caterer to the public appetite. He is an Easton boy, born and bred there, a graduate of the grammar and high schools. From graduation until April 1, 1919, he was connected with the Seip establishment, a period of seventeen years. He is a son of Christian W. Seibel, born in Germany in 1857, who was brought to the United States in infancy. The family settled in Easton where Christian W. Seibel was educated, learned the baker's trade, and has ever since resided. He is engaged in business in Easton as a member of the firm, Seibel & Stofflet, conducting a bakery at No. 635 Northampton street. He married Alice S. Frederick, born at Windgap, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1860, daughter of Samuel Frederick. They are the parents of four children: William, married Helen Knecht, and resides in Easton; George F., married Margaret Sweeney, also a resident of Easton; Russell C., of further mention; and Parker C., married Ada Long, and is residing in Easton.

Russell Charles Seibel was born in the Fourth Ward of Easton, Pennsylvania, January 16, 1884, and has spent his years, thirty-five, in the city of his birth. He passed the grade and high school courses of Easton's public schools, finishing with graduation, class of 1902. Immediately after high school graduation he entered the employ of Seip's Restaurant and Café as bookkeeper, and until Mr. Seip's death, September 1, 1918, he was closely associated with him in business. Mr. Seibel gradually extended his interest

in the business until every department and its workings were familiar to him. When Mr. Seip reconstructed his entire business and made it a modern grill and restaurant, Mr. Seibel was his trusted adviser, and in a great deal of the management, particularly in the grill room, his ideas prevailed. Since Mr. Seip's death, Mr. Seibel was in full charge of the business as its managing head until April 1, 1919. He was wonderfully qualified for that position, and under his care "Seips" was the leading business of its kind in the city of Easton. In June, 1919, he associated himself with Abels, Easton's leading confectionery and ice-cream merchants. As manager of this concern, Mr. Seibel finds a still wider field for his business powers and activities. Mr. Seibel is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church. He belongs to Dallas Lodge No. 396, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Hugh de Payen Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar; and Vanderveer Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Seibel married, July 15, 1907, Minnie H. Case, daughter of Frank Case, of Easton. Their eldest child, Frank Harold, born June 4, 1908, died September 10, 1916. Jane Evelyn was born February 4, 1919.

**CALEB H. VALENTINE**—James A. Valentine, father of Caleb H. Valentine, of Easton, was born at Hackettstown, New Jersey, and died in Newark, New Jersey, in 1895, aged sixty-seven years. He was a son of Colonel Valentine and his wife, who was a Miss Ray, his father dying when his son James A. was quite young. James A. Valentine was bound out to John S. Robbins, of Bloomsbury, but he ran away, found a home in Bradford, Pennsylvania, and there spent many of the years of his life. He was a stationary engineer by occupation, but possessed considerable mechanical genius, and could take a hand at different trades. James A. Valentine married Mahala Jackson, born in Deckertown, New Jersey, daughter of Amos or Joel Jackson, three of her brothers being ministers of the gospel connected with the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Valentine died in Jersey City, New Jersey, in September, 1912, aged eighty-four years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Valentine were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. They had seven children: Alvah, Charles J., Caleb H., Louisa C., Nettie E., Sophia, William S. This review deals with the life of Caleb H., third son.

Caleb H. Valentine was born in Troy, Bradford county, Pennsylvania, December 3, 1853. He was still young when his parents moved to Bloomsburg, New Jersey, and in that section he grew to manhood. His first teacher was a Mr. Wyman, and until moving to Phillipsburg in 1865, he attended the county schools. He spent three years in Phillipsburg schools, the family moving to Belvidere, New Jersey, in 1868. There he attended school one year, finishing his school years in 1869, and at once became his father's regular farm assistant, as he had previously been but a vacation helper only. He continued at the farm until July 24, 1871, then began a three years' apprenticeship at cabinet turning with Thomas F. Uhler, of Belvidere. He continued with Mr. Uhler as apprentice and journeyman until 1881, then began working in a furniture factory owned by the same firm, remaining until 1890. He then entered the employ of the New York Wood Fibre Company, of Belvidere, and was with that company until 1895, when the factory burned. From Belvidere he went to Whippany, Morris county, New Jersey, and started the Whippany Manufacturing Company, installing an entirely new equipment in their plant for the manufacture of fibre ware. After installing the machinery he remained a superintendent of the Whippany plant until December 10, 1898, when the factory was destroyed by fire. He then returned to Belvidere, where his family had remained during his absence in Whippany, and there became an engineer in the electric department of the Warren Wood Working Company. While he was holding that position he invented a new process for the manufacturing of fibre ware, which he pat-







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ented. Later he organized a company for the manufacture of illite ware under his patents, erected a factory in Allentown, Pennsylvania, in 1901, and for two years he was superintendent of that plant. In 1903 he resigned and returned to Easton, and for five years was stationary engineer with the Northampton Portland Cement Company at Stockertown, Northampton county. In 1906 he became electrical engineer at Easton for the Northampton Traction Company, going thence to his present position, janitor and night watchman for the Wilmer & Vincent Theatre Company.

Mr. Valentine married, at Belvidere, New Jersey, July 20, 1878, Minnie H. Exler, born in West Chester, Pennsylvania, March 24, 1858, daughter of Jacob and Catherine Christine (Dott) Exler. Jacob Exler was born in Wittenberg, Germany, and came to the United States when a young man, landing in New Jersey, where he married, his wife also born in Germany. They settled in West Chester, Pennsylvania, and later at Oxford Furnace, New Jersey. He died at the age of sixty-eight years, March 14, 1896. She died aged seventy-nine, January 23, 1910. They were the parents of six children: Minnie H., born in West Chester, March 24, 1858, educated in Oxford Furnace schools, going thence to Belvidere, New Jersey, at the age of seventeen, and there married Caleb H. Valentine; Susan; Mary; John; Jacob; Emma. Mr. and Mrs. Valentine are members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Mrs. Valentine a member of the church societies. They are the parents of four children: Caleb H., Jr., of Belvidere, New Jersey, married Lizzie Shultz, and has two daughters: Helen E. and Myrtle Shultz; Minnie Harriet, married Edward Rodenbaugh, of Clinton, New Jersey; Mahala K., residing with her parents; William S., residing at home, married Vincent Siegfried.

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**JOSEPH REICHL**—Born in Zahling, Austria, February 17, 1871, Mr. Reichl there obtained his education, learned the shoemaker's trade, and passed the first twenty years of his life. He is a son of Andrew Reichl, born in Zahling, November 30, 1831, died there in 1916, a farmer. Andrew Reichl married Julia Pummer, born in Zahling in 1833, died there in 1913, and in addition to Joseph they had the following children: John, now living in Austria; Frank, deceased; Theresa, married Andrew Roetzler, and resides in St. Louis, Missouri; Cecelia, married John Franz, of Zahling; Andrew, living in Eldendorf, Austria.

Joseph Reichl, on May 24, 1891, left his native land and sailed for the United States, finally reaching Allentown, Pennsylvania, unaccompanied by any of his family. He obtained employment in the factory of H. Leh & Company, there remaining until January 15, 1900, when he bought a hotel in Allentown called the Business House, and for twelve years he was its owner and proprietor. On April 1, 1912, he opened a grocery store in Allentown, but on September 1, 1913, bought the Oak Hotel, Fourth and Oak streets, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and since April 1, 1914, became its proprietor as well as its owner. The hotel has been greatly improved through remodeling and refurnishing since Mr. Reichl became its proprietor, and is now the best in that section of the city. He is an independent in politics, is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Loyal Order of Moose, Knights of the Golden Eagle, Gilbert Lodge, St. Peter's Lutheran Church of Allentown, which he served for four years as financial secretary and four years in the church council. For nine years he was treasurer of the German Beneficial Union, also its vice-president and very active in its affairs.

Mr. Reichl married, September 25, 1894, Cecelia Boandl, born in Zahling, Austria. Children: Minnie Olga, born January 3, 1896, residing at home; William George, born May 22, 1898, a plumber by trade, but now a member of the Bethlehem police force; Margaret Frances, born November 12, 1902, residing at home. Two other children died in infancy.

**DE LANCEY DAVIS**—In the long ago, this branch of the Davis family in the United States came from Wales, William Davis, grandfather of De Lancey Davis, of Easton, Pennsylvania, making settlement in Chemung county, New York, where most of his life was passed in farming. He married Caroline McConnell, and reared a large family, including sons: De Lancey, Hopkins, Stephen, William W., and daughters: Charlotte, Rohamma and Caroline.

(II) William W. Davis, son of William and Caroline (McConnell) Davis, was born at the home farm in Chemung county, New York, and there followed farming all his life. He married Mary Claire, also born in Chemung county, her parents of Irish ancestry. They were the parents of four children: De Lancey, of further mention; Frank, residing at the Chemung county farm; Edward, an aviator, now inspector of aeroplanes for the Curtis Company at their plant in London, England; and Ellen, residing at home.

(III) De Lancey Davis, son of William W. and Mary (Claire) Davis, was born at Horseheads, Chemung county, New York, August 30, 1882. He obtained a good education in the public schools, and was graduated from the high school of Elmira, New York, with the class of 1899. He at once became an apprentice to the machinist's trade, and for three years served the La France Fire Engine Company of Elmira, in that capacity. His term of apprenticeship completed, he continued with the La France Company from January 1, 1902, until November of the same year as a journeyman machinist, then transferred his allegiance to the Erie Railroad Company, going into their shops at Brockwayville, New York, there continuing a machinist for five years. From Brockwayville he went to the Erie shops at Johnsonburg, Pennsylvania; thence to Howells, New York, as foreman of the erecting shops, there remaining six years; thence for one year to Salamanca, New York, in the same capacity; thence to Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, for two years as general roundhouse foreman; coming to his present position, general roundhouse foreman for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, at Easton, at the end of his term of service with the Erie at Susquehanna. There have been no idle periods in his life since leaving the school room, and he is one of the reliable, substantial men of the railway service upon whose fidelity the public may rely.

Mr. Davis married, in Elmira, New York, April 24, 1907, Anna G. De Lancey, of Elmira, daughter of John J. and Ellen (Quinnel) De Lancey, and they are the parents of five children: A babe, who died unnamed; John W., Delancey (2), Anna, and Charles P.

**FRANCIS C. KNOUSS**—At Arendtsville, a village of Adams county, Pennsylvania, seven and one-half miles northeast of historic Gettysburg, Francis C. Knouss, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was born and spent his early life. His grandparents came from Germany and settled at Biglerville, Pennsylvania, where their son, David Knouss, was born July 1, 1848. David Knouss was an active farmer for many years of his life and is now living retired from all business cares. He was a soldier, serving for eighteen months in a Pennsylvania regiment, retiring on account of wounds received in battle. He was engaged at the Battle of Bull Run and the battles of the Wilderness, and saw hard service before receiving the wound which incapacitated him. He married (first) Sophia Cressler, of Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, who died in 1890, leaving her husband and a sister, Mary C., now the wife of Rev. C. Pierce, of Manteo, North Carolina. He married (second) Elizabeth Oyler, of McConnellsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1897, and of this union there were no children.

Francis C. Knouss was born at Arendtsville, Pennsylvania, February 17, 1887, and was there educated in the public schools. Upon arriving at suitable age he apprenticed himself to a Gettysburg tailor and there continued

until he had mastered his trade. In 1908, being then twenty one years of age, he came to Bethlehem and there began business as a merchant tailor, meeting with pronounced success from the very beginning. He is now firmly established in business; his patronage is very large and of a very satisfactory character. Mr. Knouss has the leading trade in Bethlehem, and his friends say that he deserves it. He is an independent in politics, a member and deacon of the Lutheran church, member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Union Wheelmen, the Bethlehem and Clover clubs.

Mr. Knouss married Netta Trostel, daughter of H. W. and Hannah (Bream) Trostel. Mrs. Knouss is a graduate of Irving College, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Knouss are the parents of a son, Francis C. (2), born in Bethlehem, March 27, 1915.

**EDWIN JACOB GERLACH** Three generations of Gerlachs have resided in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, John Traugott Gerlach, grandfather of Edwin Jacob Gerlach, coming from Saxony about 1790, and settling in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, his home the site of the present Young Men's Christian Association building, he owning that property at the time of his death. He was a carpet weaver by trade, also a dealer in earthenware. His son, Louis A. Gerlach, was born in Nazareth, January 17, 1820, and died January 16, 1892. He was proprietor of the Bethlehem Tannery for years, but prior to his coming to Bethlehem conducted a currier and finished leather establishment at Nazareth, he being a currier and tanner by trade. During the Civil War period he was a resident of Springtown, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, settling in Bethlehem in 1865, and there residing until his death. He married Louisa Weaver, who died April 3, 1895, surviving her husband three years.

Edwin Jacob Gerlach, son of Louis A. and Louisa (Weaver) Gerlach, was born at Nazareth, Pennsylvania, July 9, 1852. He began school life at Applebachsville, in Bucks county, continuing there about one year, John S. Stahr being his first teacher. The family then returned to Nazareth, where the lad attended parochial school for eighteen months, his parents then moving to Springtown, in Bucks county, where he attended school for two years and where he went to work while his parents continued to reside there for four years. After removal to Bethlehem, in 1865, he attended the Moravian Parochial School, this completing his school life. He began business life as his father's assistant at the Bethlehem Tannery, there remaining until 1870. He then began learning the carriage builder's trade under Samuel Y. Kern, at Coopersburg, Pennsylvania, and after completing his apprenticeship, remained with Mr. Kern as journeyman. He then was with Holtzermann Brothers, at Lymeport, Pennsylvania, for a time, then, in March, 1875, began business for himself at Lymeport, beginning in a small way as a carriage builder, the Lymeport business soon being transferred to Hickstown, and was conducted by Mr. Gerlach alone until 1889, when he was admitted by George W. Grube, of Bethlehem, as a partner in the junk business. Two years later, in 1891, he bought Mr. Grube's interest and continued the business alone until 1907, when he sold out and retired, retaining, however, an interest in the real estate. He repurchased the business in 1911, and is still its sole owner and active managing head. He has a large yard devoted to his business located at Nos. 60-70 Water street, and in addition to the junk department, deals heavily in fertilizers, bonemeal, hides, tallow, scrap-iron and metal. He has built up a very large and profitable business, and conducts it upon very well defined and honorable lines. He is well known and highly regarded as an able business man, and has kept his name an honored one in the business world. Before the consolidation of the Bethlehems he served for two terms on the West Bethlehem Borough Council. He is a faithful member of the Moravian church.



Mr. Gerlach married (first) March 7, 1874, Castila I. Bitting, who died May 31, 1876, daughter of Edward R. and Tewillia Bitting, of Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. They were the parents of a son, Elmer H., who married Leona Frey, daughter of A. H. Frey, of Bethlehem, and they are the parents of two children: Jacob A. and Veola. Mr. Gerlach married (second) February 13, 1879, Sarah N. Hartzell, daughter of Benjamin and Anna Maria Hartzell, of Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county, and they are the parents of three children: Anna L., married Lewis Schafer; Edwin B., married Anna Kemmerer, and they are the parents of eight children: Edwin, Jonathan, Marie, Louise, Alma Sarah and Anna (twins), Richard, and Dorothy; Emma Mabel, resides with her parents, is a divorcee, and has one child, Lewis Jacob Gerlach, who resides with his grandparents.

**JOHN EDWARD SCHAIBLE**—This family name, formerly spelled Scheible, has been borne in Easton by John Scheible (2) and John Edward Schaible, present proprietor of Schaible's bakery, an institution. The former has gone to his reward, but his widow and children reside in Easton or nearby. Mrs. Scheible lives at No. 246 Philadelphia road, Easton. John (2) Scheible is remembered as a good business man and citizen, a prominent Odd Fellow, and a man much interested in the organization of the Sons of Veterans. John (1) Scheible, who came from Würtemberg, Germany, to the United States prior to the Civil War, enlisted in the Union Army during the War between the States, serving in the Ninth Regiment, New Jersey Volunteer Infantry, and at Newbern, North Carolina, was wounded. He was a carpenter and wood carver by trade, and at the time of his death was a resident of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, but died at Bristol, Pennsylvania, and was buried in the National Cemetery, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. John (2) Schaible, son of John (1) and Catherine Schaible, the American founders of the family, was born at Penn Haven, Pennsylvania, and died in Easton, Pennsylvania, December 25, 1908. He learned the baker's trade, and later established the baking business in Easton known as Schaible's Steam Bakery, now owned and managed by his son, John Edward Schaible. He married Caroline Christina Gossman, and they were the parents of two sons: John Edward; and Jacob, who died at the age of three years; also two daughters: Caroline Frederica; and Anna, deceased.

John Edward Schaible, son of John (2) and Caroline Christina (Gossman) Schaible, was born in the College Hill district, at No. 216 McCartney street, Easton, Pennsylvania, November 20, 1881. He was educated in the public schools, Wood's Business College, and Free's Business College, and completed full courses of musical study, becoming an accomplished violinist. Until 1908 he made music his profession, being a well known instructor and performer in orchestra. Upon the death of John (2) Scheible, his father, in 1908, he became manager of Schaible's bakery in the interest of the heirs, and in 1911 purchased the business, and has since been its sole owner and proprietor. He has developed strong business quality, has greatly increased the volume of business transacted, and has kept Schaible's among the leading bakeries of this section of Pennsylvania. The plant is located at Nos. 165-167 Nesquehoning street, South Side. He gives employment to forty people. The plant is modern in every respect, and the machinery is operated by electricity.

Independent in politics, and viewing public questions from a non-partisan standpoint, Mr. Schaible avoids the errors into which the strongly partisan mind is led by party loyalty, and forms his opinions with a broad-mindedness that is in keeping with the public-spirited interest he takes in all public movements, including the Liberty Loan and War Chest drives. He is affiliated with Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Pomp Council, Royal and Select Masters; Hugh de



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Payen Commandery, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and Valley of Philadelphia, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Pomfret and Rotary clubs. He is a member of the board of elders of Zion's Lutheran Church, and is deeply interested in the welfare of that church. He is active in the Young Men's Christian Association.

Mr. Schaible married, January 4, 1909, Sarah Ann Roney, daughter of John and Mary Catherine (Roberts) Roney, of Easton. Her father is an assistant trainmaster of the Lehigh Valley railroad, and an instructor in air-brake manipulation, training army students from Camp Lafayette for their duties of the future. Mrs. Schaible is an active war worker, aiding in the work of the Red Cross, the Navy League, the Young Women's Christian Association and the Needlework Guild. Prior to her marriage she had been matron of Pottsville Hospital for five years, having graduated from that institution in 1901 as a trained nurse. She is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and of Zion's Lutheran Church. Mr. and Mrs. Schaible are the parents of three sons: John Frederick, born November 5, 1909; Edward Roney, July 8, 1911; and William Douglas, February 13, 1913.

**ROBERT EUGENE MILLER**—Prior to 1911, Mr. Miller was one of the Lehigh Valley corps of trusted engineers, but since that date he has operated a machine shop and auto repair plant in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He is an expert machinist and engineer, and in his business has gained a liberal patronage. Robert E. is a son of Cyrus Miller, who for thirty-five years has been an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Company. Cyrus Miller married Julia Kitt, still living, and the mother of thirteen children, eight of whom survive: Elmer, with the Bethlehem Steel Company, married Annie Queer and has ten children; Clara, married Dan Detweiler, and has two children; Mary, married James Clayton, of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and has two children; Namo, married Frank Fine, with the Guerber Engine Company, and has one son; Lillian, married Victor Trauger, with Eberts Wholesale Grocery Company, and has one child; Elsie, married Albert Fletcher, who died in 1914; Harvey, foreman of the Guerber Engine Company, married, and has a son; Robert Eugene, of further mention.

Robert Eugene Miller was born at Chapmansville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, April 11, 1873, and was educated in the public schools of Bethlehem. After leaving school he spent two years as a machinist's apprentice, after which he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley railroad in the operating department. For five years he was a fireman, then was promoted to the position of engineer, and for ten years he rode on the right-hand side of the cab. In 1911 he resigned and opened a machine shop in Bethlehem and there continues. His shop is 30 by 60 feet, and is well equipped with lathes, shapers, drill presses and all the requirements of a first-class shop. He devotes the upper story of his building to his machine shop and auto repairing, using the first floor for storing cars. He also controls a garage on the opposite side of the street, 43 by 120 feet, with a capacity for the accommodation of fifty cars. All this did not come at once, but little by little has grown into the present complete plant.

Mr. Miller is an independent in politics, and a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, having aided in the erection of the present church building thirty-five years ago, and served the congregation as deacon for twelve years. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Patriotic Order Sons of America.

Mr. Miller married in 1896, Annie ———, and they are the parents of the following children: Lillian, Frank and Dorothy.

**HARRY MAHLON SCHULER**—Harry M. Schuler, a plumbing and heating contractor of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, is a son of Jacob Schuler,



a machinist, born in East Texas, Pennsylvania, died November 23, 1914, aged fifty-nine years. He married Tivilia Roth, of East Texas, who survives him. They were the parents of four children: Charles, Mary, Harry M., and Leidy. Mary married William F. Frick, a confectioner, of Bethlehem (q.v.). Tivilia Roth's father, Samuel Roth, was a veteran of the Civil War.

Harry M. Schuler was born in East Texas, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and there attended the public schools, finishing his studies in Bethlehem schools. He learned the plumbing trade under Peter Kern, of Bethlehem, and for ten years was in Mr. Kern's employ as apprentice and journeyman plumber. On July 1, 1917, Mr. Schuler began business under his own name, opening his present store, No. 302 North Main street, on that date. He is an expert plumber and steamfitter, making contracts for completing all plumbing and heating features of buildings and dwellings. He is building up a good business and gaining high reputation as a reliable contractor and skilled workman.

Mr. Schuler married August 1, 1906, Annie Keiper, daughter of Levi and Louisa (Davidson) Keiper, of Bushkill Center, Northampton county. Her father was a shoemaker of No. 229 East Garrison street. Mr. and Mrs. Schuler are the parents of two children: Hilda Naomi, born August 11, 1915; and Paul Keiper, born June 21, 1917. Mr. Schuler is fond of all outdoor sports, and was particularly interested in football and baseball during his school days, but his present hobby is his Bible conference work in the World's Bible Conference, and he attends all important conferences in this section, and his work is generally recognized as to its influence. He is interested also in all Christian work.

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**CHARLES HARDEN EDWARDS, JR.**—Charles Harden Edwards, Jr., owner of the Electric Laundry, Bethlehem, and now owner of the All American Laundry Company, the largest laundry in the city of Allentown, Pennsylvania, vice-president and treasurer of the F. C. Herrington Furniture Company of South Bethlehem, has not lived in Bethlehem for very long, but the developmnet of his business in the short period of his residence there indicates him to be a man of the enterprising, thorough and aggressive, also progressive type, such as most thriving cities like to encourage.

He was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, on July 18, 1882, and is the son of Charles H. and Sallie L. (Laudenslager) Edwards. His father, Charles H. Edwards, who was born on March 23, 1849, and is now living in retirement at Doylestown, Pennsylvania, where his hobby is farming, was a contractor in his active business days at Allentown. Politically he is a Democrat; he is a Lutheran by religious conviction; and fraternally he belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was a charter member of the Livingston Club. Sallie L., wife of Charles H. Edwards, and mother of the subject of this article, is the daughter of an Allentown merchant, long established in that place in the roofing and tinning business. The mother of Charles H. Edwards is still alive, and in possession of moderately good health. The grandfather, Nathan Laudenslager, and Donasky, were the pioneers to install illuminating gas in Allentown. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Edwards; they are: Clara L., who married F. C. Herrington, a manufacturer of Allentown; Jesse, who now lives in Cleveland; Helen, who married Edward Hellyer, a cloth weaver of Doylestown, Pennsylvania; Frances Jane, who is unmarried and lives at home; and Charles Harden, Jr., the subject of this sketch.

Charles H. Edwards, Jr., was educated primarily in the public schools of Allentown, later taking collegiate education in the Muhlenberg College, of that place. After his schooling there, he entered business life, at the outset being employed by his father in a furniture business he then conducted in Allentown. In 1906 the son branched out for himself, being convinced that there



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was a good prospect of success in a properly conducted laundry business in Catasauqua. He acquired later the Troy Laundry in Allentown, which, after he had reorganized it, was reputed to have then been the largest and most up-to-date laundry plant in Allentown. It was known as the Model Troy Laundry, and was maintained in successful operation by Mr. Edwards until 1914, when he saw an advantage to be gained by disposing of it, and purchasing a similar plant in the city of Bethlehem. The Bethlehem plant, which he then acquired, was placed upon a similarly efficient running basis, and now it is generally conceded that the Bethlehem plant controlled and directed by Mr. Edwards is the most modern and efficient laundry business in the city. Thoroughly progressive, Mr. Edwards is ever ready to install in his plant any new labor-saving device that promises greater success and quicker service. Mr. Edwards' laundry at Bethlehem covers a lot 100 by 100 feet, and finds employment for a large force. He also was the prime mover in the establishment of the F. C. Herrington Furniture Company, of South Bethlehem. The company was organized and incorporated in 1914, when Mr. Edwards, the principal owner, became its treasurer and vice-president. The business is developing satisfactorily, specializing in living room and library furniture.

Mr. Edwards is actively affiliated with the Republican party in Bethlehem, and is a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, but he has never sought office in political or civic affairs. He is, however, well thought of in the community, and is a man of strong personality. He also interests himself in the activities of the Rotary Club of Bethlehem. Fraternally, Mr. Edwards is an Elk, a member of Allentown Lodge No. 130, and belongs to the Bethlehem Lodge No. 267, Knights of Pythias. He is also a member of the H. Stanley Goodwin Lodge No. 648, Free and Accepted Masons.

He is an active church worker, attending St. Mark's Lutheran Church, being a member of the church council.

On December 29, 1913, Mr. Edwards married, at Catasauqua, Mabel O., daughter of James C. and Emma (Kahler) Beitel, of that place. Both parents of Mrs. Edwards are still alive; her father, James C. Beitel, is still very active, although now over seventy-six years of age. He is the son of Josiah Beitel, one of the pioneer settlers of Nazareth, Pennsylvania, and was born in June, 1842. Like most whole-hearted and able-bodied North Americans of that time, he volunteered for national service during the Civil War, and gave good service to the cause of the Union. He was assigned to duties in the commissary department, and was present at the battle of Gettysburg. In later life he became a jeweler at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, and as such prospered, so that for many years he has been able to live in comfortable retirement. He is a much esteemed resident of Catasauqua, where his financial interests have caused him to take active part in the administration of the Lehigh National Bank, of that place; for many years he has been president of that institution. He is one of the oldest members of the Catasauqua Lodge of Masons. Emma (Kahler) Beitel, his wife, and mother of Mrs. Edwards, was born in August, 1844; their daughter, Mrs. Edwards, had every educational advantage in her youth, and eventually, in 1901, graduated from the Catasauqua High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards have two children: John Beitel, who was born October 5, 1914; and Douglas White, born October 19, 1916. The Edwards family reside at No. 826 Tombler street, Bethlehem.

**ANTONY USAS**—The recent European War has brought into the public eye a region of Europe which has cruelly suffered, Lithuania. In the Middle Ages Lithuania constituted an independent realm (grand principality) which, in 1569, was united with Poland (with which a dynastic union had already for some time existed) into a single commonwealth. On the



dismemberment of Poland between Austria, Prussia and Russia (1772-93-95) Lithuania passed to Russia, its area at the time of partition of Poland being approximately 100,000 square miles. The Lithuanians, a rustic people, are mainly found in the governments of Kovno, Viina, Grodno, Suwalki and the Russian province of East Prussia. Although Lithuania also includes the Russian governments of Vutebsk, Minsk and Mohilev, it was in Kovno, a government which borders both Poland and Russia and nearly reaches the Baltic Sea, that the home farm lay upon which Antony Usas, now of Easton, Pennsylvania, was born and spent his youth. He is a son of Charles Usas, a farmer of Kovno, who yet conducts his farm there so far as his son has information (1918). He married Mareanna Columbus, also a native of Kovno, and still living. They were the parents of six children: Antony, of further mention; Eva, married in Europe; Stanislaus, a soldier in the Russian Army, captured by the Austrians and held a prisoner until the signing of the armistice, and now (January, 1919) probably has been returned to his Lithuanian home; he was a resident of the United States for two years, but in 1914 returned home to visit his parents and could not escape when the Russian armies were mobilized against Germany and Austria. Three daughters—Alice, Mary and Helen—reside with their parents in Kovno.

Antony Usas, eldest child of Charles Usas, was born at the home farm in Kovno, Lithuania, Russia, June 13, 1884. He obtained a good education in the State schools, and during his life in Kovno acquired a speaking acquaintance with four languages, Lithuanian, Polish, Swedish and Russian. He left school at the age of fifteen, and from that age until his coming to the United States in 1905, was employed by the farmers of his section. Had he remained in Kovno until 1906 he would have been compelled to enter the Russian Army, having reached the age of compulsory military service. This giving up thirty-three years of his life did not seem good to the young man, and in 1905 he came to the United States, arriving in New York City, June 13. Upon his arrival in this country he joined his stepbrothers in Mechanicsville, New York, and there found employment in the paper mills. Six months later he located in Easton, Pennsylvania, there becoming a silk weaver at the Simon Mill. From that mill he was transferred to the Standard Silk Mill, but soon returned to the Simon Silk Mill and there has since continued. In May, 1913, he revisited his Lithuanian home, there remaining one year with his parents, brothers and sisters, enjoying the family re-union and regaining his impaired health. He fortunately terminated his visit and left for the United States prior to the outbreak of the great European War, his brother Stanislaus not having the same good fortune, but being compelled to enter the Russian Army. Antony Usas is now a citizen of the United States, having recently (1918) received his final naturalization papers. The prevailing religion in Lithuania is Roman Catholic, and with that church both he and his wife are united. He was instrumental in organizing the Lithuanian congregation of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church on Spring Garden street. He was made president of the building society. They held their first meeting in September, 1907, in Mannechor Hall, where he was made its president and served until he went on a visit to his old home in Europe; and on his return, May 30, 1914, was again made president and served one year.

Antony Usas married, in Easton, June 17, 1911, Marianna Columbus, born in Kovno, Lithuania, Russia, March 15, 1881, who came to the United States in July, 1908, arriving at Baltimore and joining there her brother Anthony, they the children of Adam and Lodovika Columbus. She came to Easton soon after her arrival, and there now resides, the family home, No. 663 Spring Garden street, as in 1916. They are the parents of four children: Vladeslov, born September 12, 1912; Antonina, April 12, 1914; Vladovslava, May 24, 1915; and Helena, March 3, 1917.

**GIUSEPP MAIORANA**—On the north coast of the province of Messina, in Sicily, Italy, lies the town of Santo Stefano di Camastra, in which many generations of the Maiorana family have made their home. Giusepp Maiorana, now the American representative of the family in Easton, Pennsylvania, was there born, and until the year 1902 there resided. In that year his American residence began, and two years later Easton became his home. He has been successful as a merchant and business agent for his countrymen, and is high in their confidence. He is a son of Antonio Maiorana, and a grandson of Salvatore Maiorana, of Santo Stefano, Messina, Italy, the latter born in Cephalo, but living and dying in Santo Stefano di Camastra, as did his wife, Vincenza (Patti) Maiorana.

Antonio Maiorana was born in Santo Stefano di Camastra, Italy, in 1839. His home being on the north coast of Sicily, he naturally adopted the calling so common among the inhabitants, and followed the sea in various capacities, thus spending his entire life until its close in April, 1910. He married Maria, a daughter of Arcangelo Zaffiro and Serafina Azzolina, her parents both dying in Italy. After her husband's death, Mrs. Maiorana came to the United States and has since lived with her children in New York City and Easton, Pennsylvania, well preserved and active for her age of seventy years. Children: Serafina, married Gaetano Vitale, and resides in new Durham, New Jersey; Salvatore, married Josephine Franco, and resides in Union Hill, New Jersey; Josephino, married Antonio Gerbino, and resides in New Durham, New Jersey; Archangelo, married Angela Anfusa, and resides in West New Jersey; Giusepp, of whom further; Consctettina, married Antonio Franco, and is a resident of South West street, Easton, Pennsylvania; Giovannina, married Joseph Mazzeo, and resides in Easton; John, married Rosina Zaffiro, and makes his home in Reading, Pennsylvania.

Giusepp Maiorana was born in Santo Stefano di Camastra, Province of Messina, Sicily, Italy, January 1, 1879. He attended the State schools until thirteen years of age, and then was taken on board the vessel of which his father was captain and taught the boatman's manner of life and business. He remained as his father's assistant, and became so capable that he was also made a captain and placed in charge of his own vessel, succeeding his father, who retired. He sailed to many ports, trading principally between Santo Stefano and Messina, Palermo, Catania, Syracuse and Naples, his cargoes the manufactured goods and products of the various sections with which he traded. He continued a seaman until the year 1902, when he came to the United States.

He sailed from Naples, Italy, and arrived at New York City, there remaining about two years, employed as a slate roof worker. He then came to Easton and at once formed a partnership with Louis Stefano, but after five months Mr. Maiorana became sole owner of the business, which he has since successfully conducted. In connection therewith he has opened a store and office for the sale of foreign exchange. His place of business is located at No. 159 South Third street, previously having been at No. 336 Lehigh street and No. 223 South Third street. He is a Republican in politics, member of the Sons of Italy and Black Knight Commandery. Both he and his wife are members of the Protestant Episcopal church.

Mr. Maiorana married, in Santo Stefano di Camastra, Italy, October 10, 1907, Serafina Famularo, born in Santo Stefano, November 3, 1889, daughter of Salvatore Famularo and his wife Dominica Dagostino. She came to the United States, and upon her return to Italy was married, her husband having returned to his boyhood home to visit. They are the parents of five children: Marie, Dominica, Serafina, Antonio and Josephine.

**WILLIAM FREDERICK DANZER**—In the year 1863, on July 28, William F. and Barbara Danzer, natives of Bavaria, in Europe, had born to them at their farm a son, William F. Danzer, now a prominent contractor and builder, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. The boy, William F., remained with the parents on the Bavarian farm until he was seventeen years of age, in the meantime having acquired a good education. In 1880 he came to the United States, locating in Lehigh, Carbon county, Pennsylvania, where he became a carpenter's apprentice, serving four years under a Mr. Cumfer, a contractor of Lehigh. After completing an apprenticeship he came to South Bethlehem and from the year 1885 until the present (1919) has there resided. He quickly secured employment at his trade and in course of time built a house for himself. After he had completed that building, he decided that what he could do for himself he could do for others, and from that time forward he has been constantly engaged as contractor and builder. Up to that time he had been employed by other contractors, the first man to secure his services being James Ritter, a contractor then living in Allentown, and the first building upon which he worked the Nurses' Home at St. Luke's Hospital.

In 1888, Mr. Danzer began business for himself, and since that time has erected many important buildings and has executed contracts with corporations, municipalities, institutions and individuals. Among the important buildings which he has constructed under contract are the following: The Northampton Club building (one of his first); Taylor Hall dormitory, Lehigh University; Drom Memorial, Lehigh University; power house, Lehigh University; Sayre Ward, St. Luke's Hospital; Thomas Operating Pavilion; St. Luke's Students' Pavilion, St. Luke's; depot, at Palmerton, Pennsylvania, for the Central Railroad of New Jersey; freight depot, at South Bethlehem for the Lehigh Valley railroad; Citizens' Bank building at Lehigh; an office building for the Lehigh Valley railroad, at Easton; and buildings for the Central Railroad of New Jersey and the Lehigh Valley railroad along their lines at different points all the way from Jersey City to Buffalo. His contracts have not been confined to buildings, but he has constructed bridges both in Easton and Nazareth, and to obtain better information concerning cement mixing and construction, he made a voyage to Europe and studied from builders there the manner in which they made artificial stone from cement, and other details valuable to him as a builder. He has also fulfilled many commissions for the Bethlehem Steel Company, one of his contracts being for shop No. 4 of the tempering plant. He has built also, during this more than a quarter of a century of activity, many churches in Bethlehem and vicinity, besides many school houses. The number of private residences constructed are legion, among them being the Dallett H. Wilson (near the Northampton County Country Club), the J. E. Matthews and W. A. Wilson mansions. These all testify to the high reputation he bears as a skillful builder and as a contractor to whom important commissions may be entrusted with the certainty that they will be executed with fairness and honor. He also deals in real estate for his own account, buying vacant lots, erecting buildings thereon, and selling them upon the easy payment plan, if desired.

Mr. Danzer married Susan E. Miller, born in Bethlehem, and they are the parents of five children: Edna; Russell, now a student at Lehigh University; May and Sadie, graduates from South Bethlehem High School; and Ruth, the youngest, now attending South Bethlehem High School, class of 1921. All the children are residing with their parents in their beautiful South Bethlehem home. All are members of the Evangelical church.

**REV. MARTIN C. MACIEJEWSKI**—When John and Mary Maciejewski left their native Poland and came to the United States, they settled in Shenandoah, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, where John labored as a coal miner until his death. Both were devoted members of the Catholic church and rejoiced in the fact that their son Martin C. was a member of that church.



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Martin C. Maciejewski was born in Shenandoah, Pennsylvania, November 11, 1882. He began his education in the parochial school, and there rendered his first church service as an altar boy. After exhausting the advantages of the parochial school, he continued study in the Polish Seminary at Detroit, Michigan, there pursuing the full classical course until graduation, class of 1910. Being destined for the priesthood, he began theological study at Overbrook Seminary, at Overbrook, Pennsylvania, and in 1915 was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic church by Archbishop Pendergast, of Philadelphia. He began his work in the ministry as assistant pastor of St. Stanislaus Church, of Philadelphia (Polish), there performing all the duties pertaining to an assistant pastorate for one year. The burden he had carried in, preparing for and performing priestly duty had caused his physical condition to fall below the full standard of health, and a short rest was imperative. In the meantime a new parish, St. Michael the Archangel, had been created at Northampton, Pennsylvania, and upon Father Maciejewski's return to active work he was appointed by the Archbishop pastor of that parish. On arriving at Northampton he found a small parish without a church edifice, services having been held by a missionary priest on Sunday in a small hall. The new pastor at once set out to better such conditions, and soon effected the purchase of the George H. Stearn homestead with a frontage of two hundred and fifty feet and a depth of one hundred and fifty feet. A foundation for a suitable edifice was at once begun, and shortly a suitable edifice will arise in which the congregation of St. Michael the Archangel will worship. In the meantime the homestead mansion has been temporarily converted into a church, and there Father Maciejewski administers to the spiritual welfare of his parish of three hundred souls, most of his parishioners being of Polish birth or descent.

**AUGUSTUS W. SCHMICH**—For thirty six years Mr. Schmich has been connected with the Bethlehem Steel Company, severing that connection in 1909, and later accepted a position as superintendent of streets and public improvement in the city of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, January, 1918. He is a son of J. Peter Schmich, born in Baden, Germany, December 17, 1828, who, in 1853, came to the United States, settled in Bethlehem, and for many years was in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company. He is now, at the age of ninety, residing with his son Augustus W. He is a member of the Moravian church, and a Democrat in politics. J. Peter Schmich married Christina Stein, born in Germany, coming to the United States on the ship with her future husband. The long voyage of about one hundred days gave the young couple ample time to become well acquainted, and not long after their arrival in this country they were married. The veteran outlived his wife and five of their eight children; among those living are: Augustus W., of further mention; Samuel S., for a long time clerk with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, married, and had a son, John Emil Schmich, a graduate of Lehigh University, now serving with the American Expeditionary Forces in France; and Frank A., also a Lehigh Valley railroad man.

Augustus W. Schmich was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, September 16, 1858, and was there educated in the public and Moravian Preparatory schools. After completing his years allotted to the securing of an education, he entered the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and from 1874 until January, 1909, he has continued in the service of that company, holding positions of responsibility. In January, 1918, he was elected superintendent of streets and public improvement, the position he now (November, 1918) is ably filling.

Mr. Schmich is an independent voter, but with Democratic proclivities. He was chosen a member of the first board of commissioners when Bethlehem adopted the commission form of government, and is serving a two years'

term. For ten years he was a useful, interested member of the school board, and is a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. He is a trustee and a member of the Moravian church, and is active in the work of that church and its allied interests. He is a member of Bethlehem Lodge No. 283, Free and Accepted Masons; and a thirty-second degree member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a man of genial, friendly nature, and is greatly liked by all who know him. He is a member of the Bethlehem Club, and of other organizations of a social nature.

In Bethlehem, in 1885, Mr. Schmich married Annie Louise Jacoby, daughter of James and Lucy A. (Luckenbach) Jacoby, of a prominent Bethlehem family, both parents now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Schmich are the parents of G. Raymond Schmich, born December 20, 1886, a graduate, B.S., Moravian College; M.A., Lehigh University, 1916, now inspector of all gun parts at the Bethlehem Works. He married Ellen H. Hermany.

**ROBERT H. SCHOENEN**—The parents of Robert H. Schoenen were married in Germany, in 1852, and in 1856 came to the United States. Their son at that time was two years of age. They first settled in Toledo, Ohio, but not long afterward came to South Bethlehem. Robert Schoenen, the father, died in South Bethlehem, leaving a son, Robert H., and a daughter, Gertrude, who married Jacob R. Unger, of West Bethlehem. The widow, Mary Elizabeth Schoenen, married a second husband, Michael Freed. This review deals with the useful life of the son, Robert H. Schoenen, now deceased, his life from an early period having been spent in South Bethlehem, where as boy and man he was highly regarded.

Robert H. Schoenen, son of Robert and Mary Elizabeth Schoenen, was born at Hemmerden, Dusseldorf, Prussia, August 9, 1854, died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, February 21, 1913. He was brought to Bethlehem by his parents at an early age, and obtained a public school education. He learned telegraphy with the Western Union at Bethlehem, later being in the employ of the telegraph department of the Central Railroad of New Jersey. After leaving that employ he conducted a meat market for a time, then was an insurance agent until 1901, when he accepted a position of claim agent with the Lehigh Valley Transit Company, a position he held until his death, aged fifty-eight years, six months and two days.

Mr. Schoenen took a deep interest in public affairs and served South Bethlehem in official capacity. He represented the First Ward of South Bethlehem in the Town Council during the years 1892, 1893 and 1894, and was the first president of the South Bethlehem Borough Council after the passage of the law requiring that the chairman of the body should be a member of the council. It was through his efforts that many important ordinances were passed. He was very public-spirited and bore his full share of civic responsibility and burden. He was a very popular man, kind-hearted and even-tempered, well liked and highly esteemed. During his youth he became a member of the Protestant Episcopal church, but in later years he united with the Moravian church, the faith of his wife, and was buried in Nisky Hill Cemetery, according to the rites of the Moravian church. In his political belief he was classed as an independent Republican; his course in council was straightforward and conscientious, aggressive in debate, striking hard when the occasion demanded. He was particularly strong as a debater and was a powerful advocate for any cause which he championed.

Mr. Schoenen married Mary Louise Luckenbach, who survives him, a member of one of the old and prominent families of Northampton county. Mr. and Mrs. Schoenen were the parents of two daughters: Cary Elizabeth, married Samuel Buchhaupt, and has a son, Robert A. Buchhaupt; and Mary Adeline, married Henry Loux, and has a son, Robert Schoenen Loux. The mother, Mary Louise, was born on Broad street, Bethlehem, October 11, 1856,



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and her father, John A. Luckenbach, also was born here October 1, 1830, and later died here. He was a carpenter by trade. The mother, Caroline Amanda (Kremser) Luckenbach, was born here June 10, 1830, and is still living with Mrs. Schoenen, aged eighty-nine years. There are two brothers: Morris, lives in Bethlehem; and Russell J., lives in Philadelphia.

**CONSTANTINE GEORGE ANDREW**—Now a partner in the Candyland Company of Easton, Pennsylvania, Constantine G. Andrew is fairly started on a career of business success, and is fairly entitled to success, for he is a hard worker, a good business man and a good comrade. He was born in Constantinople, Turkey, a city which was selected as the capital of the Roman Empire by Constantine the Great in the year 330 A. D., he rebuilding it and renaming it Constantinople. No city in the world has stood so many sieges, and the city has played an important part in the history of Christianity, the Patriarch of Constantinople rising to the position of head of the Christian church. Constantine G. Andrew is a son of George Andrew, a merchant of Albania, where he died at the age of eighty-four years. His widow was brought to Easton by her son Constantine G., and there yet resides, aged eighty-two years. They were the parents of three children: Constantine G., of further mention; Spiro George Andrew, now living in Chicago; Ellen, married Pericle Menekey, and has five children.

Constantine G. Andrew was born February 22, 1881, the son of Albanian parents, who when their son was still small moved to Cordzell, Albania, which was the lad's home until fifteen years of age. He learned the language of both Turk and Greek, obtained a good education, and was his father's assistant in the shop so long as he remained at home. At fifteen he returned to Constantinople, then back to his Albanian home, thence to Massalia, France, there shipping as a sailor on a vessel trading between Massalia and Constantinople. He remained a sailor two years, then yielded to his father's wishes and returned home, becoming a clerk under his merchant father. At the age of twenty-four years he came to the United States, via Havre, France, landing in New York, going direct to Phillipsburg, New Jersey, upon arrival. He was there employed in the Ingersoll plant a short time, going next into a silk mill, remaining for a brief period. Neither business attracted him, and he is next found working in a hotel kitchen in Philadelphia, there working his way to the position of chef. The following three months were spent in a visit to his widowed mother in Albania, and upon his return to the United States he became chef at the Sterling Hotel, Trenton, New Jersey. Woodrow Wilson, then governor of New Jersey, was a frequent patron of the Sterling, and Chef Andrew prepared for the governor several of his favorite dishes. Later he made a second visit to his old Albanian home, returning with his mother and his newly acquired wife.

Upon returning to the United States with his bride, Mr. Andrew located in Easton, Pennsylvania, two brothers-in-law being residents of that city. Leaving wife and mother with these relatives, Mr. Andrew returned to his old position as chef at the Sterling Hotel in Trenton, remaining one year, then transferring his services to the Carlton, at Point Pleasant, New Jersey, where he passed another year, after which he came again to Easton. There, with his brothers-in-law and James D. Moska, he formed the Candyland Company and opened two stores, one on the square, the other at No. 425 Northampton street. These stores are well conducted and prosperous, and the owners reap a just return for their industry and enterprise. Mr. Andrew is a member of the Albanian Orthodox church.

Mr. Andrew married, in Albania, Rodolphi Moska, and has a child, George Andrew, born in 1914.

**EUGEN BARNAKO**—Eugen Barnako, ladies' tailor, designer and cutter of Easton, Pennsylvania, was born in Hungary, October 15, 1881. He was

educated in the State schools, finishing with a technical course, and continued in his native land until 1896. He traveled in Austria, Bavaria, Germany, France, Switzerland and England until 1907, when he came to the United States. His father, Charles Barnako, was a farmer of the gentry class, his mother, Theresa Barnako, a woman of intelligence and social standing. In 1908, Mr. Barnako located in Easton, and as a ladies' tailor he established himself in a good business. He is past officer of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; is president of the Odd Fellows Association; member and past officer of the Encampment; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Easton Board of Trade; Rotary Club; Northampton County Historical Society; is chairman of the Northampton County Americanization Committee; and member of the Paxinosa Automobile Club. In religious faith he is a Lutheran, belonging to St. John's Church.

Mr. Barnako married, in Manchester, England, May 24, 1907, Lavinia Richardson, daughter of William and Esther Richardson. Mr. and Mrs. Barnako are the parents of two children: Eugenie Gladys, born March 23, 1908; and Frank Richardson, August 2, 1912.

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**STEPHEN MANESCU**—Stephen Manescu, enterprising and prosperous business man and property owner of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, in which city he has lived since 1905, is a native of Southern Hungary, and of Roumanian ancestry. He was born in Hungary, June 10, 1876, the son of George and Martha (Lazaroy) Manescu. His father, George Manescu, died in 1909, having then reached the venerable age of seventy-nine years. His mother, Martha (Lazaroy) Manescu, is still living in her old Hungarian home, notwithstanding that most of her children now live in and are citizens of this country. Of her six children only one of her sons remained in their native land; two are dead. Two sons live in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, John and Stephen, John being the older. John is employed at the Bethlehem Steel Works, and is comfortably placed, both in business and domestically. He married, before emigrating, and now has five children, most of them American born.

Stephen Manescu was educated in the public schools of his native place, and there grew to manhood, taking industrial employment and eventually marrying. He was twenty-four years old when he married Gazella Partly, and three children were born to them before he emigrated in 1904, he being then twenty-eight years of age. He came alone to this country, and the fact that he received his final certificate of naturalization in the shortest period of time possible, in 1910, indicates that he emigrated with the full intention of becoming an American citizen. He had little money when he arrived, and it was eighteen months before he felt sure that he might venture to send for his wife and family, but he was steadily advancing, and having settled in his mind the question of citizenship he was saved from the handicap so many emigrants experience, the new country not being to him the foreign country it is to those who have not taken the first definite step and declared intention to become a naturalized citizen. Stephen Manescu, upon arrival in America in November, 1904, proceeded almost immediately to Amsterdam, Ohio, where, however, he only remained a few months. In March, 1905, he joined his brother in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and for a time found employment in the Bethlehem Steel Works. Eventually, however, he ventured into independent business and prospered; so much so, that he now has quite a substantial business, is well thought of in the city, and is a generous supporter of church and community charities.

Stephen Manescu is a member of the Greek Orthodox church, and during the momentous years of the great European War came much to the fore among citizens who are of Roumanian origin. It was mainly through his initiative, persistence and organizing ability that the Truth, a Roumanian







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Society, was founded, and it may be stated that he was its founder, and his status was recognized by his incorporating colleagues, as Stephen Manescu was elected president of the society after the State had granted it corporate powers. And generally in all public movements of patriotic nature, Stephen Manescu has always been found ready in support, personal as well as financial, when there is need of it.

Nine children have been born to Stephen and Gazella (Partly) Manescu, six being American born. The children, in order of birth, are: Anna, born July 18, 1901, eventually graduated from the Bethlehem High School; Stella, born October 2, 1902, also a graduate of Bethlehem High School; George, born October 28, 1904; Elizabeth, born in 1906; Frieda, born 1908; Edward, born 1912; Julia, born 1913; Stephen, born 1915; and Ethel, born 1917. The three first named were born in Hungary.

**WILLIAM HENRY MEYER**—There is no custom so thoroughly American as the nation-wide preference for ice-cream, and in consequence no industry so typical as its manufacture. It is in this business that William Henry Meyer, of Bethlehem, has achieved such pronounced success in the six years of his connection therewith, Mr. Meyer having taken over the ownership and management of the old established firm of which John S. Ruth was the head. The development and progress of his venture have been strong and steady, and at the present time (1919), housed in a large and modern fireproof building, it is a leading concern in its line, accommodating a volume of business three hundred per cent. larger than at the time Mr. Meyer assumed control.

William Henry Meyer is a descendant in the fourth generation of Michael Meyer, founder of the family in this country, and is a son of Michael and Julia Ann (Gold) Meyer. Michael, father of William Henry Meyer, was a native of Bushkill township, Northampton county, where he was a farmer all his life and where his death occurred in 1910, his wife surviving him until 1916. They were the parents of six sons and five daughters, of whom the following survive: John Jacob, a farmer, of Northampton county, married Ida Barthold, and has two children; James F., proprietor of a creamery in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, married Ella Slagle, and has five children; Adam, a teamster, married Adelaide Newhart, and has two children; Howard Thomas, a hardware dealer, of Nazareth, married Florence Messenger; Lizzie Alice, married Samuel D. Smith, of Northampton, Pennsylvania; Anna Maria, married Samuel Fritz, of Pen Argyl, Pennsylvania, connected with a slate factory at that place, and has two children; Eva E., married Richard Bath, of Belfast, Pennsylvania, a slater; and William Henry, of whom further.

William Henry Meyer was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, January 12, 1869. He attended the public schools of his birthplace, was later a student in the Centre Academy, and for five years thereafter he taught in the schools of Lehigh township. Farming occupied him for the following fourteen years, and in 1906 he established in Hecktown a creamery which he conducted for seven years. In 1913, Mr. Meyer purchased from John S. Ruth the ice-cream manufacturing plant of which he is now owner, a concern of long standing in the community. The expansion of his business made necessary a similar increase in space and equipment, and a fireproof brick and concrete building of three stories and basement was erected, sixty-one feet front by fifty-two feet in depth, fitted with the most modern machinery for the manufacture of ice-cream. Under the new management a new era of prosperity began, and from this factory Mr. Meyer, who is sole proprietor, ships two thousand gallons of ice-cream each day, while daily sixteen tons of ice are manufactured. In the delivery of his product to the distributing centers to which his trade extends, he utilizes fourteen trucks and four teams, in addition to the service afforded by the public carriers. The vast increase

in the volume of his business has been caused by the untiring energy and devotion of Mr. Meyer to its upbuilding, to the modern and efficient methods he has inaugurated in his factory, and finally and principally to the high quality of his product. Mr. Meyer has capitalized the up-to-date methods of his plant and its high sanitary improvements and precautions in the advertisement of his ice-cream, and a wide and steadily increasing patronage has been the result.

Mr. Meyer is a Republican in political faith, although his private affairs have prevented his entering actively into political life, and for four terms he served as auditor of Bushkill township. He fraternizes with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Independent Americans, and has been for many years a deacon and trustee of the Reformed church. He married, in November, 1881, Amanda, daughter of John A. and Louise (Fenstermaker) Person, of Lehigh township, Northampton county. Her father was a farmer of that county, and served in the Civil War in Company H, One Hundred and Fifty-third Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was with the Union forces throughout the duration of the war. Mr. and Mrs. Meyer are the parents of: Minnie F., married Edwin J. Shrader, who is in the employ at the factory, and they are the parents of Arline, Gertrude and Edwin; Dama, died in May, 1907, at the age of twenty-two years; Nellie May, died in 1913, aged sixteen years; Ruth Irene, is Mr. Meyer's chief assistant in the business.

The retail store is at the corner of Main and Broad streets, and is Bethlehem's popular ice-cream parlor. The company is installing a plant in conjunction with the factory for the purpose of bottling and pasteurizing milk in large quantities for the trade. They have also recently bought a milk station at Bath, Pennsylvania.

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**ANTONIO CASTELLUCCI**—In 1887, Antonio Castellucci came to the United States, he then a young man of thirty-two. He was the son of Giovaniangelo and Fiorinda Castellucci, his father a wholesale wine merchant of Colle Sannita, in the fertile province of Benevento Compania, Italy. Ten years after the coming of his son, the father came to the United States (1897), his wife having died in Italy. He made his home with his son in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, surviving the change of home six years, until his death, December 10, 1903.

Antonio Castellucci was born in Colle Sannita, Benevento, Italy, November 21, 1855, and there spent the years until 1887, acquiring an education and early learning the shoemaker's trade. He had become an expert at his trade, and through a knowledge of his father's business had become well equipped for the battle of life. He was in fairly good circumstances in Benevento, and would perhaps have remained there in contentment but for the stories which came overseas of the success others of his race were winning in the newer Western World. He was drafted for service in the Italian Army in 1875 (at the age of twenty years) and served for three years, attaining the rank of major-corporal. After completing his army service, he spent some years with his father in the wine business, and at the age of twenty-six married, but after about three years of wedded life was left a widower. He continued in Italy for a time, but in 1887 came the great opportunity and he embraced it to his great temporal gain. In 1887 a young Italian friend, Antonio Maddalena, who had been in the United States, returned to Italy, and was married to Theresa Castellucci, a sister of Antonio. The young married couple returned to the United States, sailing on April 24, 1887, Antonio Castellucci accompanying them. He landed in New York, and after spending a few days in that city, took up his permanent residence in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Not understanding nor speaking English, his first years in his new home were difficult, but he possessed the dogged courage of his race and he

accepted every kind of work which came to him. He spent six months in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company, but whenever possible worked at his trade. Finally he accumulated sufficient capital to start a shoe repair shop of his own, and for five years he persistently applied himself to his business. He then sold out, and with what he had earned, added to the proceeds of the sale of his shop, went to New York City, and invested it in a saloon. Six months there sufficed to complete a business failure, and he returned to Bethlehem, there again taking up his trade, which could always be depended upon to bring him a good living. For two years he continued at his shoemaker's bench until finally, in 1897, he became engaged in the business which brought him gain and placed him fairly on the road to success. He had, during his ten years in the United States, thoroughly absorbed American business methods as well as the language, and seeing how difficult it was for his countrymen to secure suitable work and wages, and how greatly contractors needed that labor, he established an agency and became a regular intermediary between contractors and laborers, to the great benefit of all concerned. He continued as labor contractor for various Easton contractors, and supplied the large firm of Mitchell, Connell & Donnelly with their men for four years, then for eighteen years was similarly connected with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, supplying them with labor for all their construction and maintenance needs. As he prospered in his business as a labor contractor, he invested his profits in real estate, and for eighteen years conducted a banking business in South Bethlehem, sold steamship tickets, domestic and foreign money orders, and generally acted as financial agent for his less informed countrymen.

Another of his investments was the Palace Theater, which he built and operated with successful financial results. He is also a director of the E. P. Wilbur Building and Loan Association, and is one of the most public-spirited of men, striving all in his power to return in good citizenship payment for the opportunity this country has given him to rise to honorable position. He has been one of the strong supporters of Holy Infancy Roman Catholic Church, but his interest has extended to other parishes, and particularly Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompeii, for which he purchased the pews, the priests' vestments, a statue of St. Joseph, and a painting for the altar. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Foresters of America, Sons of Italy, and other Italian societies.

Mr. Castellucci married (first) in Benevento, Italy, in 1881, Maria Nigro, who died in 1884, without children. He married (second) in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, a widow, Mrs. Mary (Fanella) Salvatore, who was also the mother of a son, Joseph Salvatore, who resides in Bethlehem, married, and has a son Anthony and a daughter Josephine. By his second marriage, Mr. Castellucci has three children: Florence, a graduate of Holy Infancy School, class of 1912; John, a graduate of South Bethlehem Business College, class of 1914, now a student at Philadelphia College of Pharmacy; Anna, a graduate of South Bethlehem High School, class of 1918.

**ANGELO TOCCI**—Near the beautiful city of Naples, the most populous city of Italy, Angelo Tocci was born April 13, 1872, and there the first thirteen years of his life were spent. He then came to the United States, landing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, there finding a home with Rosa Gallio. He had gained some knowledge of the construction trade in Italy and intended working at that in Philadelphia, but he found that he was too young to pass the close scrutiny of the American law. So in order to not be a burden upon his friends, he took up the life of a bootblack and newsboy. For five years he resided in Philadelphia, outgrowing the bootblack's kit, and he then determined to find a better field of labor. In 1890, at the age of eighteen years, he came to Bethlehem and obtained work in the Bethlehem Steel Works as a



machinist's helper. For three years he continued in that position, then with the capital which he had accumulated he went to Easton, Pennsylvania, and opened a Turkish bath establishment, with a barber shop and shoe shining parlor in connection. This was very elaborate in all its departments, and far in advance of any similar establishment in Easton. He conducted a successful business for a time, and later added a moving picture theatre. In 1907 he returned to Bethlehem and opened a moving picture theatre on East Broad street, he being the first man with confidence enough in the future of the now prominent Bethlehem street to invest his money in a business venture on it. After the moving picture business was proving a success, he added a barber shop, a shoe shining and hat renovating department, and a pool room, all of which have proven successful, and are still continued under his own management. He also operates in real estate from time to time, and has been very successful in that line of business.

Mr. Tocci married, in 1895, Rosa Puppi, of Philadelphia, and they are the parents of thirteen children, ten of whom are living: Mamie, Sullivan, Patsy, Mary, Lena, Frank, Evangeline, Alfred, Lucy and Dominick. The family are members of the Roman Catholic church, the father a member of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, Sons of Italy, Italian Benefit Society, and in politics is a Democrat.

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**CHARLES GROETZINGER**—Adolph Groetzinger, born in Goetling, Germany, came to the United States when young and located in Easton, Pennsylvania. He was a baker by trade, but later became a miller, owning and operating a mill located on the south side of Bushkill creek, opposite Goose Island. This mill was on the site of the first saw-mill in Easton, and was built originally by Peter Ihrie. Afterwards it was a fulling mill, then an oil, finally a flouring mill which, under Adolph Groetzinger, was known as the Mount Jefferson Flouring Mill, where thirty thousand bushels of grain were ground annually. Adolph Groetzinger married Matilda Messinger, his first wife, Miss Weaver, leaving him a daughter, Augusta. By his second wife there were four children: Charles, of further mention; Louise, married Ascher Odenwelder, of Easton; William, deceased; and Rudolph, deceased. Adolph Groetzinger died in 1888.

Charles Groetzinger was born in Easton, November 18, 1847, died in Easton, January 1, 1917. After completing his studies in the public schools and at Nazareth Hall, he began, in 1865, working in his father's mill on the Bushkill creek, learning the milling business thoroughly. About 1879 his father retired from the active management of the mill and was succeeded by his son, Charles, who continued the business until his retirement, ten years prior to his death. He was a good business man and won from the milling industry a generous competence. He was actively interested in all that pertained to the welfare of his city, and in a quiet way aided to the full extent of his opportunity. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, and in politics a Democrat. His life was one of usefulness to his fellowmen, and he carried to the grave their highest esteem as a man of sterling integrity and character.

Mr. Groetzinger married, June 17, 1877, Catharine Bartow, of Easton, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth (Brown) Bartow, her mother of the Warren county, New Jersey, Brown family. Mrs. Groetzinger was educated in the Upper Mount Bethel schools, and her residence is at No. 238 Bushkill street.

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**ONOFRIO SACCHETTI**—In the province of Foggia, town of Roseto Valfortore, Italy, in the year 1868, Onofrio Sacchetti was born, and there attended the church and State schools until fifteen years of age. He then began learning the tailor's trade under his father's instruction, but did not cease his study, and continued a night school student for some time. He



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did not take kindly to the tailor's trade, his tastes all being for the out-of-door life of a farmer. Finally he took the matter into his own hands, left home, and went to work for a neighboring farmer. His first daily wage was the equivalent of five cents in American money, but as he grew older this was advanced to ten, fifteen, and seventeen cents daily. He then hired out by the year, receiving his board and three dollars and fifty cents as a yearly wage. He was a faithful, industrious lad, and finally reached the very high figure of eighteen dollars yearly with board. These were hard days for the lad, his work often being steep hillside plowing, with a donkey, a steer or a cow to pull the plow. The farm help slept in a large outbuilding, on straw pallets, a bed being unknown to them. Each worker was given a piece of smoothed wood upon which was entered a record of what each got at the commissary. If a man wanted a loaf of bread, his piece of wood was taken from a nail on the wall and a nick was cut in it signifying the quantity used. The hard work and cheerless living disheartened him, and hearing a great deal from returning Italians about the money-making opportunities in the United States, he finally determined that he, too, would break away from old traditions and seek his fortune in the Eldorado of the West, which had been so often described to him.

In October, 1886, he sailed out of beautiful Naples bay, and forty-eight days later sailed up that wonderful harbor of the New World—New York bay—and caught his first view of the tall goddess who sheds her radiant beams for the enlightenment of the whole world. The vessel upon which he crossed combined steam and sail as motive power, and en route touched land several times between Naples and New York to take on cargo, principally nuts, raisins and fruit of various kinds. At Gibraltar coal was taken on board, and from the time of leaving the European coast, storms and rough weather were constantly encountered, and often the vessel was beaten back instead of advancing. This led to an uprising which threatened the captain's life, but was finally quelled after several mutineers were placed in irons. At last New York was reached, and the lad went ashore, a stranger in a strange land, with a cash capital of ten dollars. Labor of the unskilled variety was then plentiful, but he could not secure work, although countrymen whom he had known in Italy aided him. A cousin in Newark, New Jersey, was appealed to, and he sent him on to Bangor, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there he received employment in the State quarries with pick and shovel. He soon learned the business, became a regular quarryman, and was fairly "on his feet." There were several Italians employed in Bangor, and he found friends who were kind to him when later he suffered an illness which kept him from his work for some time. This resulted in his being in debt, when he finally recovered and returned to work; but he was young, full of hope and ambition, soon was again "square with the world," and on the road to prosperity. At the quarry he was a laborer for several years, and continued there employed. At the end of that period he had saved some money, and he again determined upon a change, hoping to better his condition. He invested his capital in a fruit and candy store of modest proportions in Bangor, and that was really the beginning of his success. The little store grew, and ere long the proprietor made regular trips to New York, where he purchased his fruit at the steamer side. As he increased in business acumen and knowledge of the English language, written and spoken, he became an agent for his countrymen in their business transactions. He prospered in Bangor, but being ambitious for further advancement, he sold out his business and went to Montreal, Canada, intending to engage in business there. But after looking the city over carefully he decided not to invest, and soon afterward he gave up a position he was holding with the Grand Trunk railroad and returned to Bangor, there again entering business life on about the same lines as of old. Two years later he sold out and entered the contracting



field, executing contracts in furnishing laborers for all kinds of construction work. He made Easton his headquarters, and has been very successful, and has practically made contracting his sole business. He is agent for the various steamship lines, and does a general business for the Italians as well as other nationalities.

But there is another phase of his business career which was and is very important—his dealings in real estate, city and country, improved and unimproved. His dealings have been very large, he having been the owner of as many as twenty farms, and for the past several years has operated several of his farms on account of the war, which caused several of the farms to be thrown back on his hands. He is a man of great industry, and energetically pushes forward any undertaking with which he is connected. He takes no part in politics, but tries to vote for the right man and advises his countrymen only when they ask him to do so. He has won wealth and position during the years which have passed since he came to New York an unknown, almost penniless, boy, and he can look back over those years with satisfaction.

Mr. Sacchetti married, in Easton, in 1900, Rose A. Gorman, daughter of Dennis Gorman, foreman of navigation in the service of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, and Mary (Carroll) Gorman. Mr. and Mrs. Sacchetti are the parents of four daughters: Elizabeth Agatha, a student in Easton High School; Mary Veronica; Agnes Cecelia; and Princess Jolanda.

**FRANK BIRO**—Educated for an artist's career in Hungary, his native land, and the recipient of worthy honors in exhibitions in Budapest, Frank Biro, of Bethlehem, has devoted his efforts in his American residence mainly to photography, although for a time he did some work in sculpture in New York City. He is a son of Frank Biro, who died in Hungary in 1910, and Mary (Fedor) Biro. His mother for a short time resided in the United States, but being then a woman of sixty years of age, found it difficult to acclimate herself to new conditions, and in consequence returned to Hungary, where she now lives.

Frank Biro was born at Ungvar, Hungary, December 26, 1879, and was educated in the gymnasium of his birthplace, where he completed his studies; he then devoted his time to the development of his artistic talents through study in the Budapest Academy of the Fine Arts, whence he was graduated. For two years thereafter he was under the instruction of the noted artists and sculptors of the city, receiving special instruction from John Fadrusz and Joseph Rona. He attained unusual proficiency in sculpture, and on three different occasions his work was exhibited to the public, a rare honor for a student to receive. Coming to the United States in 1904, he remained for a short time in New York, where he completed several busts, in 1907 establishing his present photographic studio in Bethlehem. From the first, the quality of his workmanship assured his venture of success, and it has constantly attained larger dimensions until its direction requires all of his time. The demands of his studio leave him little time for his work in clay, although he has lost none of his love for his art. An artist in every fibre of his body, Mr. Biro's tastes find expression in music, and he is an accomplished performer upon the violin, as are his children on both the violin and piano.

Frank Biro holds the thirty-second degree in Masonry, a Knight Templar, Commandery No. 90, of Bethlehem, also being a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, Rajah Temple, Reading, Pennsylvania, and he fraternizes as well with the Knights of Pythias. He is a communicant of St. John's Lutheran Church of Bethlehem.

He married, November 3, 1908, Gizella Gulyassy, also a native of Hungary, who came to the United States in the same month as her husband, although they had never met before their residence in Bethlehem. They are the parents of: Zoltan, born September 2, 1909; Gizella, born February 13,





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1911; Frank, Jr., born April 13, 1912; Margaret, born July 23, 1913; Piroška, born July 10, 1915; Elmer, born October 30, 1917.

**JOHN ABEL**—Perhaps there is no better known place of business in Easton than Abel's Confectionery, a business now conducted by the children of John Abel, who established it in the year 1845. For forty-six years John Abel dealt out confections to Eastonians, young and old, then passed to the Great Beyond, his widow, Maria E. (Reichard) Abel, then conducting the store until her death three years later, in 1894. Then the children of the founders, unwilling to see the business which for half a century had been in the Abel name pass to others, decided to continue its operation, and for nearly a quarter of a century Abels have continued the store name, and its affairs administered by Abels. Emma and J. Edward Abel have passed away during this period, the present proprietors being Mrs. Isabelle A. Hartzell, her husband, Howard A. Hartzell, and Miss Mary Abel. Since 1916, the present management has controlled the business, which is a most prosperous one, but never in its history has there been long-continued periods of depression at "Abels." It is now in its seventy-third year of operation under parents and children. Since 1873, an ice-cream department has been added, and a feature of the business is the fact that a large share of the candy sold is made on the premises. A wholesale department is conducted in addition to the retail, and a business is transacted most satisfactorily to the proprietors, and in a manner equally pleasing to customers.

John Abel, founder of the business, was the son of John Abel, son of Jacob Abel, son of John Jacob Abel, who operated a ferry boat on the Delaware river at Easton, and is said to have had General Washington for a passenger on one of his trips across the Delaware. John Abel, the founder of Abel's Confectionery, was born in Easton, March 29, 1814, and died at his home in that city, May 17, 1891. He founded "Abels" in 1845, and remained its head until his last illness, then surrendered its cares to his worthy helpmeet who had been his strong helper all through the life of the store. He was keenly alive to the interests of the then borough of Easton, served on the Borough Council, and lent his best efforts to the upbuilding of a bigger, better Easton. He was a member of the vestry of St. John's Lutheran Church for many years; and affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

He married Maria E. Reichard, born in Easton, December 29, 1811, died in her native city, April 27, 1894, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Hay) Reichard. They were the parents of ten children: Louisa C., deceased wife of W. W. Cottingham, a former superintendent of the public schools of Easton; Charles J., a confectioner, who died April 4, 1918; A. Elizabeth, widow of W. E. Hamman; Emma M., deceased; Emanuel, deceased; John H., deceased; Josephine, wife of George T. Hamman; Isabelle A., wife of Howard A. Hartzell; J. Edward, deceased; Mary, who, with her sister, Isabelle A., and brother-in-law, Howard A. Hartzell, constitute the present management of the Abel Confectionery business. She is an active worker in all war activities, and associated in membership with Easton Red Cross Chapter, and with the Navy League. The family are members of St. John's Lutheran Church. Mrs. Hartzell is also a member of the Red Cross and Navy League, as well as all activities in war work. Mr. Howard A. Hartzell has been active in all things for public good. He was the first Republican elected to the council from the Sixth Ward, Easton, and served that body from 1888 to 1896. He was elected mayor in 1896.

**HARRY SOFFERMAN**—Solomon Sofferman, a well known shirt manufacturer and real estate dealer of New York City, was of Prussian birth, two of his sisters being leading physicians of Petrograd, connected with the staff



of the great Petrograd Hospital, also two brothers, one a lawyer, another a government purchasing agent. Solomon Sofferman married Gertrude Volinsky, and they were the parents of seven sons: Adolph, now a broker of New York City; Amelias, a member of the New York City bar, who died in 1918; Abraham, in the machinery business in New York; Job, a sporting goods dealer of Bayonne, New Jersey; Morris, a real estate broker of Bayonne; Harry, of further mention; Irving, superintendent of the New York State Compensation Board.

Harry Sofferman was born in New York City, in 1882. He was educated in the public schools, and early in life became a shirt manufacturer in association with his father. Later he became a manager of the firm, Loudon & Hyman, operating factories at Portland, Windgap and East Bangor, all in Northampton county, Pennsylvania. In 1906, Mr. Sofferman came to Bangor, Pennsylvania, and purchased the factory owned by Louise Beck, and soon after the firm, Loudon & Hyman was organized. That firm began business in the Beck factory with Harry Sofferman as manager, but in 1918 he leased the business, full control passing to him in April, 1919. The business employs about two hundred and fifty hands, principally women, and manufactures mens' shirts exclusively.

Mr. Sofferman married Annie Cohn, daughter of Jacob and Dora Cohn. They are the parents of three children: Blanche, born August 15, 1904; Florence, March 30, 1907; and Edith, January 30, 1909.

**GEORGE MERDINGER**—Not long after Alsace-Lorraine had been taken from France by the victorious Germans and made a province of Germany, George Merdinger, now a contractor and builder of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, was born in that territory, now about to be restored to its rightful owners. But thirteen years after his birth he came to the United States and found a home in Orange, New Jersey. In 1913 he located in Bethlehem, and there he has become a well known and successful contractor and builder.

George Merdinger was born in Alsace-Lorraine (then) Germany, September 27, 1875, and there educated. He came to the United States in 1888, settled in Orange, New Jersey, and there learned the carpenter's trade, becoming a fine cabinet-maker. He continued in Orange until 1913, then located in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where he established in business as a contractor and builder. Among the important buildings which he has contracted for and built, several school houses of Bethlehem township, Wilson township and Lower Saucon township may be named; several buildings of St. Luke's Hospital, including the Bethlehem Steel Company Ward, the Charles Schwab Ward, the Isolation Ward; Bethlehem Foundry & Machine Company building; many residences, great and small, including the fine home of Professor Emery of Lehigh University, and the improvements on the mansion owned by B. H. Jones, secretary of the Bethlehem Steel Company. Mr. Merdinger has won high reputation in the city as a builder and merits the good name he bears. He is now interested in State highway work, having already secured one contract and the promise of many more.

**GEORGE M. ODENWELDER**—On January 28, 1826, George M. Odenwelder, of Easton, Pennsylvania, first saw the light in the city of Easton. He has entered and retired from the ranks of octogenarian residents of the city, and three years ago he took his place with the few nonagenarians which the city can boast of. Ere this work is published he will have completed his ninety-fourth year, in all probability. The Odenwelders date from German forbears, who early came to Northampton county, Pennsylvania. One of these pioneers had a son, John, born in Northampton county, who also had a son, John. The family settled in that section of the county known as the village of Odenweldertown, in honor of the family. Many good and loyal



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citizens have descended from these early German settlers who bore the name Odenwelder, and in all walks of life they have been found bearing their full share of civic responsibilities and burdens. George M. is a son of Michael, and a grandson of John Odenwelder, both of whom were born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania. Michael Odenwelder was born in Odenweldertown, but later became a merchant of Easton, where he died at the age of seventy-six. He married Sarah Barnett, who bore him nine children, and died in Easton, aged seventy-six.

George M. Odenwelder, son of Michael and Sarah (Barnett) Odenwelder, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, January 28, 1826, and at this date (January, 1919) is still a resident of his native city. His birthplace and boyhood home was a dwelling which stood on the present site of the Laubach store, and he attended the old Vandever School, and for a time was a pupil in the public school. His father was a dry-goods merchant of Easton, and when the lad's school days were over a place was made for him in the store which stood on the site of the present Laubach store, the family also making their home in the building. He did not long remain with his father, but before reaching his sixteenth year he went to Philadelphia, entered the employ of one of the city's dry-goods merchants and there remained six years. His father then requested that he return home to aid him in his business, a request the young man complied with. In course of time Michael Odenwelder admitted his son to an equal partnership, and when, at the age of seventy-six, the veteran merchant passed away, George M., the son, succeeded to the full ownership and control of the business. He continued its successful managing head until 1872, when he sold out to William Laubach, and the Odenwelder store passed out of existence as a separate trade organization. From that year Mr. Odenwelder has had no settled business connection; in fact, he has lived practically retired from all cares of a business nature. From boyhood until his withdrawal, he was continuously connected with the dry-goods merchandise, and no man more thoroughly understood his business than he. He was possessed of sound judgment, and with a clear brain conducted his affairs along the best lines, placing great stress upon quality of goods handled and absolute fairness in every transaction. He built up a good understanding between his store and its patrons, and made Odenwelders a desirable trading point.

Mr. Odenwelder was an adherent of the Whig party until it was succeeded by the Republican organization. He then became affiliated with the new party, and has been its loyal supporter. He is an attendant of Christ Lutheran Church, and is yet a regular attendant upon its stated services. He married, in Easton, Anna S. Lane, daughter of John Lane, of Easton. The young couple established their home on Ferry street, but later moved to a residence in Lanes court, where Mrs. Odenwelder died on April 5, 1870. They were the parents of a daughter, Sarah L., who married William Shipman, and died in Easton, April 26, 1911.

**GEORGE ZBOYOVSKY** Until a young man of nineteen years, George Zboyovsky, now a prosperous banker of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, remained in his native Austria-Hungary, his birthplace, Töke Terebes, where he was born December 19, 1860. He had acquired his education in the public schools, but did not remain to accomplish his years of military service, but taking ship from Hamburg, arrived in New York eighteen days later, on March 4, 1879. He found a home in Gowen, Pennsylvania, where he was employed in the anthracite coal mines until the age of twenty-three years, then for several months was engaged in a silk mill at Passaic, New Jersey, as a weaver. In May, 1883, he first came to Northampton county, locating in Bethlehem and there becoming an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Works. In 1885 he bought the American Hotel in South Bethlehem, and in 1886 opened a bank



for dealing in foreign exchange and steamship tickets. He has prospered and has invested largely in South Bethlehem real estate. He originated the three-room flats for industrial workers, and owns thirty-six such dwellings, accommodating two families each. He still owns the American Hotel, also the building in which his bank is located, and is one of the solid, substantial men of the foreign colony. He is an American citizen, naturalized September 5, 1885, a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Roman Catholic church. He is also a member of the Slavonic Society, Cyril and Methodius, the Society of Sts. Peter and Paul, and Society of the Holy Name.

George Zboyovsky married, May 14, 1882, in New York City, Barbara Smada, daughter of John and Elizabeth Smada. She was born in the same Hungarian village as her husband and crossed the ocean to become his wife. They were the parents of the following children: 1. John Francis, born May 6, 1883. He was educated in Bethlehem grade and high schools; Mount St. Mary's College, Emmetsburg, Maryland; and at the Theological Seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, Overbrook, Pennsylvania. He was ordained, at Overbrook, May 27, 1911, a priest of the Roman Catholic church, and assigned as assistant to the pastor of St. Michael's, at Lansford, Pennsylvania. He was transferred a year later to the church at Tresckow, a mining village of Carbon county, Pennsylvania, where he remained as pastor three years, accomplishing the improvement of the church edifice and the erection of a rectory. He was next transferred to the church at McAdoo, a borough of Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, and there he labored two years. He was then returned to Tresckow, and is now located in Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, where he is serving as pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church. During his college years he was private secretary to the president and also taught in the college, his standing as a student being very high. 2. George J., born January 21, 1886; attended public school until 1899, then entered Bethlehem Preparatory School, whence he was graduated, class of 1903. He then entered Lehigh University, taking special courses in chemistry, after which he became associated with his father in his banking and hotel business. He is also owner of the Palace Theatre, Bethlehem, which he bought and improved in 1913. He married, July 7, 1910, at Freeland, Pennsylvania, Margaret Shigo. They are the parents of a son William, born March 23, 1912. 3. Michael C., born October 6, 1889, now a dealer in real estate. He attended the Bethlehem Business College. He married Theresa Stein, of Bethlehem, and has a son Edward, born September 5, 1915. 4. William A. J., born February 12, 1891. He began his education in the public schools, going thence to Bethlehem Preparatory School; was a student for one year at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, then entered the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, specializing in chemistry. After graduation in 1913, he was chemist in Boston for a time, then with the Bethlehem Steel Company until 1915, when he became his father's associate in his real estate business, and is also interested in the bank. 5. Marv Magdalene, born July 2, 1893. After parochial school study she entered Mount St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, whence she was graduated with the class of 1913. After her return to Bethlehem she taught in St. John's Parochial School for some time, then, in 1916, became her father's assistant in the bank. She is an accomplished violinist, active in Red Cross and war work, and the work of the Associated Charities of Northampton county. At college she took especially high rank in domestic science, and after deciding upon a business career pursued study at Bethlehem College to fit her for her clerical position in the bank. 6. James Francis, born July 27, 1894, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, was educated in the parochial schools and business college, also taking a course in the International Correspondence School of Scranton, Pennsylvania. In October, 1917, he enlisted as a moving picture operator, but was transferred to the Aviation Corps of the United States Army as a mechanic, attached to the Two Hundred

and Sixty-fourth Aerial Squadron, trained at Camp Dix, N. J., and Mineola, L. I., and on February 24, 1918, went overseas to England; has now returned and is in good health. 7. Rose Elizabeth, born December 9, 1900, prepared in the parochial school, then became a student at Mount St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, there taking a commercial course and finishing with graduation, class of 1916. She also attended the Bethlehem Business College. She is now a stenographer in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company, in the order department, a position she accepted in 1917. She is also a cultivated musician and well known in musical circles.

The mother of these children is a member of a number of societies of the Catholic church and very active in their work, especially the Blessed Mother Sodality and the Society of St. Anna. Mr. and Mrs. Zboyovsky have now been married thirty-seven years, and their domestic life has been one of complete happiness and in accord each with the other's wishes.

**ROBERT JACOB SNYDER**—More than thirty years ago the Stahr Coal Company was founded in Bethlehem, and its business today is not only the oldest of its kind in Bethlehem, but also is the largest. To that company came Robert J. Snyder, his present position being general manager. He is a son of Enoch and Mary Snyder, of Shanesville, Pennsylvania, born March 8, 1865. He received his education in that town. He began business life as clerk in the A. C. Huff piano and music store, then for twelve years worked as apprentice and journeyman at the blacksmith's trade. In 1911 he entered the employ of the Stahr Coal Company of Bethlehem, and has since been continuously in that company's employ. As manager of the business he has demonstrated his strong, high reputation among contemporary business men. In politics Mr. Snyder is a Democrat, and for eight years he served in the Borough Council. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and of the Moravian church. Mr. Snyder married, January 1, 1892, Annie C. Whitezel, daughter of Andrew B. and Mary (Lance) Whitezel.

**ANTONIO PACCHIOLI**—When a lad of eleven years, Antonio Pacchioli, now proprietor of a photo studio in Easton, Pennsylvania, decided to join relatives in the United States, a decision which he acted upon, arriving in this country, November 21, 1910. The years which have since intervened have been well improved, and the well patronized studio at the corner of Northampton and Sixth streets, Easton, is the result of his energy and talented ability in the photographic art. He is a son of Diego Pacchioli, a well-to-do farmer and stock dealer, whose home was near the city of Rome, Italy, who at the age of sixty-three retired and is yet living in Italy. He married Adelini ———, and they are the parents of three sons: Louis, a resident of Easton, to which city he came when quite young; Leonard, also a resident of Easton; and Antonio, of further mention.

Antonio Pacchioli was born near the city of Rome, Italy, November 13, 1899, youngest of the three sons of Diego and Adelini Pacchioli. Until eleven years of age he remained at home, attending the public schools of his district. He then decided to join his brothers in Easton, and sailing from the port of Naples he arrived fourteen days later at New York City, the exact date being November 21, 1910. He at once continued his journey to Easton, was for a time in poor health, but attended school, and thus spent the first ten months. His first employment was in the Simon Silk Mill, where he remained for two years, becoming an expert spinner, but having an opportunity to become associated with Gerad Geralico, an Italian photographer of Easton, he accepted it, having already some knowledge of the photographic art acquired when a boy in Italy. He rapidly improved in his art, having a strong, natural talent, and upon the death of his employer in 1917, Mr.

Pacchioli purchased the studio, which he has since conducted very successfully. His work is highly commended for its high artistic quality, and his studio is well patronized. Mr. Pacchioli is devoted to his art, and has made many friends in the city.

**OWEN H. HESS**—Owen H. Hess was born in Allen township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, May 28, 1855, son of Samuel Hess, and grandson of David Hess, a noted gunsmith of Rockville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. David Hess married (second) Sally Laubach, the mother of Samuel Hess, who was a farmer and miller, operating mills nearly all his mature life in Lehigh county. His home for many years was at Cherryville, Lehigh county, and he was a member of the Kreidersville Reformed Church.

Owen H. Hess remained on the home farm until the death of his father, when he began learning the millwright's trade with Henry Treichler, who after two years made the young man foreman of his construction gang. In that capacity Mr. Hess built mills in various parts of Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He became an expert mill builder, and also developed an unusual ability to handle men with the best results. He was thus employed until 1886, when he was placed in charge of the construction of the plant of the Nazareth Cement Company, under Dr. Bachman. This was his first introduction to the Portland cement business, and in the construction of the plant he gave every detail careful study and attention. He installed all the machinery in the plant, and when it was ready for operation he was in charge of the mill when the first cement was produced in Nazareth. When W. B. Shaffer began the erection of the Phoenix Mill he sought the services of Mr. Hess, who was in charge of the erection of the plant. So well was his work done that not a hitch of any kind occurred when the plant began its production. During this period, Mr. Hess had about one hundred and fifty men under his direction, and so perfect was his organization and so fairly were his men treated that it is a matter of fact that not an hour was lost in trouble between the men and their employer. After the completion of a cement plant at Whitehall, Mr. Hess, on March 18, 1901, was appointed superintendent of the Dexter Portland Cement Company of Nazareth, whose plant, recently completed, was not running smoothly in its mechanical department, neither were the labor conditions satisfactory. All this was quickly remedied, and from that day forward the operation of the plant has been without friction in either department. During the superintendency of the plant by Mr. Hess, business has greatly increased, and many important additions have been made tending to materially increase output. This has been accomplished without closing the plant, and it is a matter of record that its operation from the first has been continuous, there having been no shutdowns on account of improvements, labor troubles, lack of material or market for the finished product. The daily output has been increased from five hundred barrels a day to two thousand five hundred barrels, while constant employment is afforded two hundred men. During these eighteen years no serious accident has occurred in the plant, except a small engine room fire once. Mr. Hess may be justly charged with the absence of friction at the plant, his watchful eye and active brain being ever on the alert for possible sources of future trouble and finding a remedy in advance. He is a director in the Dexter Concrete Manufacturing Company, stockholder in the Dexter Portland Cement Company, member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Masonic Order, Knights Templar, and Shriners, and the Reformed Church of Nazareth. Keenly alive to community interests, Mr. Hess served for six years on the Allen Township School Board, and with the Nazareth School Board, and has rendered similar service, also serving on the Borough Council. He is a Democrat in his political faith.

Mr. Hess married, in 1883, Mary R. Boyer, of Allen township, North-



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ampton county, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of two children: Mabel, married Robert Hetmer; and Lloyd, employed in the machine shops of the Dexter Portland Cement Company. The family home is at No. 33 East Prospect avenue, Nazareth.

**WILLIAM OTTO** As yardmaster of the Lehigh Valley railroad at Easton for more than twenty years, Mr. Otto has occupied an important position in railroad operation and established himself firmly in the confidence and esteem of the officials of the road, having charge of his department. But this twenty years does not express the full period of his railroad service, for that began much earlier, thirty years having been spent by him in the service of the Lehigh Valley. He is now (1919) a man of sixty-five years, and will no doubt round out the full number of years allotted, and be placed upon the company's roll of honor, the retired list.

He is a son of Capt. William Otto, born in Easton, October 7, 1817. The father obtained a public school education, and learned the cabinet-maker's trade, which he followed until 1862, when he enlisted in Company G, Thirty-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Militia, composed of Easton troops. The Thirty-eighth, known as the "Iron Regiment," was mustered in at Reading in July, 1863, mustered out August 7, 1863. William Otto went into the service as captain of Company G, contracted a fatal disease, and died in 1864. He married Mary Jane Ricker, daughter of Samuel Ricker and his wife, who was a Miss Worman. Mrs. Otto died in Easton in 1881, aged fifty-four years. Captain and Mrs. Otto were the parents of seven children: Edward, deceased; Mary S. Sigengall, deceased; William, of further mention; Lizzie, married Bronson Kelley, deceased; John, a member of Easton fire department; Susan, married Peter Bloom, of Phillipsburg; Charles, of Easton.

Samuel Ricker, maternal grandfather of William Otto, Jr., was a "Forty Niner," one of the first to go from Eastern Pennsylvania to seek their fortune in the gold fields of California. He made several journeys to the Golden State, going around Cape Horn, and finally settled in Eldorado county, locating at the newly settled town of Colfax. There he engaged in the hotel business, dying there in 1880, aged over eighty years.

William Otto, Jr., was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, November 21, 1854, and there was educated in the public schools, his first teachers, Anna Davis and Mrs. Griffith. In 1864 his father died, and William soon afterward left school to work and aid in the family support. He first was employed in a barber shop, and later learned that trade, following it for several years, and owning his own shop located on Northampton street. In 1886 he sold his business, entered the railway mail service, and continued in that service for three years, then resigned and entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Company, and from that year, 1889, his service has been continuous. He began as yard clerk and won his way upward through various promotions until he reached the position of yardmaster, succeeding James Reynolds. His record is one of highest efficiency and his standing is high, both with those in authority over him and with those over whom he exercises authority. He is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, his wife a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. He is a Democrat in politics, and affiliated with the Yard Masters' Association of America.

Mr. Otto married, March 15, 1879, Louisa Hetzler, who was born in Easton, October 10, 1858, and educated in the city schools. Mrs. Otto is a daughter of Adrian and Elizabeth (Shull) Hetzler, her father a well known Easton tailor of long ago. Mr. and Mrs. Otto are the parents of an only son, William Edward, born in Dayton, Ohio, October 24, 1879, educated in Easton public schools, and now with the Adams Express Company, in Easton. He married Mary Theresa Reily, of Easton, and they are the parents of two sons: William James and Kenneth Frederick Otto.

**ISIDORE MINEO**—In the town of Santo Stefano di Camerstra, a town of Sicily, the largest island in the Mediterranean sea, forming with some neighboring isles a compartimento of the Kingdom of Italy, Isidore Mineo was born. His father, Sebastian Mineo, a merchant of Santo Stefano, was born there in 1858, and in 1897 came to the United States, where he is yet living, engaged in huckstering. He married Bridget Nigroni, about 1883, and they are the parents of four children: Seraphine, Isidore, Carmella and Theresa. The father preceded his family to the United States and founded the home in Easton, his wife and children following three years later.

Isidore Mineo was born July 27, 1888, remained in his native Sicily until twelve years of age, there attending the public school. In the year 1900 he was brought to the United States by his mother, the family joining the husband and father in Easton, Pennsylvania. His father was then engaged in commissary contracting, and for some years the boy was his father's assistant, acting as his bookkeeper. He gained a good knowledge of business methods while with his father, and when the commissary contracting business came to an end, Isidore, the son, was well qualified to conduct business for himself. Isidore Mineo began business under his own name in 1907, at his present location, South Third street, Easton, and for the past eleven years has successfully conducted a wholesale and retail grocery business. He has won reputable standing as a merchant, reliable and upright, and as a citizen he has been found with the best element of his party. He is a member of Society Sons of Italy, and of the secret societies, Loyal Order of Moose and Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is a Republican in politics, and a member of St. Anthony Roman Catholic Church. He is popular with his own countrymen, and respected by all who know him.

Mr. Mineo married, in Easton, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1911, Josephine Vitale, born in Santo Stefano, Sicily, Italy, March 13, 1895, and they are the parents of four children: Charles, Bridget, Thomas, deceased; and Sadie. Mrs. Mineo was but two years of age when she came to America with her parents, Gaetano and Sadie Vitale. She was educated in the public schools of Easton, and is one of a family of eight children: Josephine, Mary, Charles, John, Emily, Mamie, Frank and Anthony.

**ERNEST DEMETRI MOSKA**—In Macedonia, once a powerful independent kingdom, later a Roman province, now a part of Turkey, Ernest D. Moska, one of the proprietors of "Candyland," Easton, was born April 15, 1894, son of Demetri and Ellen (Valuri) Moska, both born in Coritsa, where the mother yet resides. Demetri Moska spent his entire life in Coritsa, a tailor by trade, but later in life became interested in mining ventures. He died in 1914, aged about seventy years. Children: Gust, residing with his mother in Macedonia; James Epamenoda; and Ernest D.

James Epamenoda Moska was born in Coritsa, Macedonia, February 20, 1882, and was there educated, graduating to what is the equivalent of an American high school. He was then eighteen years of age, and in 1900 he came to the United States, landing in New York City from a steamer of the Rotterdam line. He came direct to South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, upon landing, and was there employed in a silk mill for twelve years. He next joined with his brother, Ernest Demetri, in the candy store business in Easton, as at present they are engaged. He is a member of the Greek Orthodox church, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Easton Board of Trade.

Ernest Demetri Moska, youngest of the children of Demetri Moska, remained in his native land until 1910, then came to the United States via Canada, being sixteen years of age at that time. He located in Easton, Pennsylvania, and at once began learning the candy-maker's trade, at which he worked five years. He then bought the candy store at No. 31 Center square, later adding the store at No. 425 Northampton street. These stores are







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operated under the firm name, the Candyland Company, the partners, Ernest D. Moska, James E. Moska, and their brother-in-law, C. G. Andrew, young men, who in a strange land, under strange conditions, have made their own way and given a good account of themselves. Ernest D. Moska is a Universalist in religion, a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of the Rebekah Lodge of the same order.

**QUINTUS WAGNER**—For many years a farmer of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, Mr. Wagner has disposed of all his farming interests and devotes himself to the duties of the office of poor director of the county in which his life has been passed. He has always been active and influential in public life, and one of the leading Democrats of the county. He is of ancient county family, his grandfather, Jacob Wagner, a farmer of Lower Saucon township, as was John Wagner, father of Quintus Wagner. John Wagner was born in 1812, and died in 1887. He married Lydia Stever, and they were the parents of twelve children: Jacob, a miller, died in 1914; Wilson, a farmer of Lower Saucon; Mary, widow of Joseph Hess; Elizabeth, married C. A. Bright, retired; Benjamin, retired; Alevesta, deceased, married D. M. Weber; Edwin, a retired farmer, died in February, 1916; Emma, deceased, married C. O. Weaver, a farmer; Quintus, of further mention; Flora, married H. A. Reigel, of Hellertown; Laura, twin with Flora, deceased, married H. A. Ache; John, a farmer of Hellertown.

Quintus Wagner was born in Hellertown, Pennsylvania, February 24, 1862. He was there educated in the public school. He grew up at the home farm, and upon arriving at man's estate continued in that business all his life until recent retirement, and disposal of his farm interests. He was a successful farmer, causing his acres to yield him a profit, and withal so public-spirited and progressive that he kept in touch with public affairs, and was a leader of political thought in his district. He is one of the local leaders of the Democracy, and for many years held important public office. For five years he was township auditor, for eight years assessor of taxes, and for five years collector of taxes for Lower Saucon township. In 1911 he was elected county poor director, an office he now holds. Mr. Wagner is a member of Hellertown Lodge No. 606, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Hellertown Lodge No. 563, Free and Accepted Masons; Killatin Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men; Hellertown Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, of which he has been secretary for ten years; and in religious faith is a Lutheran, and a member of the church council.

Mr. Wagner married, March 5, 1892, Anna Laura Ruth, daughter of David and Susanna (Reichard) Ruth, of Williams township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Wagner are the parents of three children: Erma L., a graduate of Saucon High School; Grace Armita; and Evelyn Flora, graduates of Saucon High School.

**CHRIST P. POULUS**—The New York Restaurant, one of Easton's largest places of its kind, is at No. 48 Center square, its proprietor, Christ P. Poulus, a young Greek, who, after a wide experience in restaurants in many cities, came to Easton, and after a connection with the Seip Restaurant, bought his present place of business. He was born March 15, 1883, in a village near Volo, a town of Thessaly, Greece, son of a well-to-do farmer. That section of Greece is most prosperous, and Volo is the principal seaport of Thessaly, having grown greatly in recent years. The lad attended Greek schools from the age of seven until thirteen, then became his father's farm helper, doing rather more than a boy's work. In 1901 he came to the United States and began working in a New York City restaurant, becoming an expert waiter, and remaining in the city about seven years. He then began a wide travel tour, working in restaurants in different places, but always

returning to New York, when the fancy struck him. He came to Easton in 1910, and for eight years was a waiter in the Seip Restaurant. In 1918 he bought his present restaurant from Mr. Alexander, and has operated it very successfully until the present. He has three partners, namely, John Janus, and the latter's two brothers. John supervises the culinary department. He was born in the same place as Mr. Poulus, came to the United States in 1904, and repaired to Richmond Hill, New York, where for four or five years he was connected with a well known restaurant, after which he came to Easton, and with his brothers, George and Gus, worked at the same business, and all three brothers, with Mr. Poulus, formed a partnership and purchased the New York Restaurant.

Mr. Poulus is a member of the Greek Orthodox church. He is unmarried. His parents, Peter and Zoe (Demetro) Poulus, yet reside at their home in Thessaly, aged about eighty-two, Christ P. one of their four children.

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**JAMES P. XEPAPPAS (PAPPAS)**—Among the successful Greek caterers of Easton, James P. Pappas (Xepappas) is prominent. He is a son of Petro Xepappas, and a grandson of Anastasias Xepappas, who lived to be one hundred and five years, dying in Sparta, his widow living to the wonderful age of one hundred and fifteen years. Petro Xepappas passed his entire life in Sparta, Greece, dying a comparatively young man in 1888, his son, James P., being then about six months of age. He married Helen Pafles, who is still living in Sparta, aged fifty-seven years, a daughter of Nicholas Pafles. They were the parents of three children: George, now living in Chicago, Illinois; Marion, married Stafros Kakaletres, and lives in Sparta; James P., of further mention.

James P. Pappas (Xepappas) was born in the town of Barsenecon, in the province of Sparta, Greece, in 1888, and there passed his boyhood, obtaining his education in the State schools. At the age of thirteen he came with his brother-in-law, Stafros Kakaletres, they sailing from Havre, France, landing in New York in May, 1901. He joined relatives in a small town near Lowell, Massachusetts, but after two months the lad and his brother-in-law went to Chicago, where the lad, James P., attended public school for a short time. His first position was in a florist's store at small wages, his second job with a fruit dealer with whom he remained one year, his next job being in a restaurant. In all, he spent three years in Chicago, going from this city to Jeannette, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, where he was clerk in a candy manufacturing plant and retail store. In the summer of 1906 he came to Easton, here opening a candy store at No. 215 South Third street. This store he later sold, and soon after opened a similar store in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and another in Phillipsburg, New Jersey. For about eight years he conducted these two stores, then bought the restaurant at No. 68 Center square, known as the Lafayette, now the "Philadelphia," but later he sold out to George George. In the meantime he purchased in Florida an orange grove (which he still owns), and to that property gave his personal attention after selling the restaurant. In August, 1918, he opened a restaurant at No. 64 Center square, known as the Easton Restaurant, where he conducted business very successfully until May, 1919.

Mr. Pappas married, in Easton, Barbara Strumpoles, born in Greece, daughter of Christ Strumpoles. Mr. and Mrs. Pappas are members of the Greek Orthodox church, he one of the founders of that congregation in Easton, and serves as its treasurer. They are the parents of two children: Helen J. and Peter P.

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**FELIX P. MALKVEH**—Near the city of Kovno, capital of the government of Kovno in Lithuania, Russia, bordering on Poland and Prussia, Felix P. Malkveh was born in 1885, of Lithuanian parents. The government at







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that time was administered by the czar as autocrat of all the Russias, and the education of the native youth was discouraged, and for certain classes absolutely prohibited. His parents, however, taught their children in the privacy of their home, a small farm away from the city. There the family raised stock and flocks of geese which, with the products of the soil, brought them a comfortable living.

Felix P. Malkveh continued at the home farm until twenty years of age, part of this time, when he could be spared from the home flocks and fields, being spent in the employment of neighborhood farmers. He continued his education at home, and by study and association acquired, in addition to his own tongue, a speaking knowledge of the Russian, Polish and Slavonic tongues, as well as an ability to write intelligently both in Lithuanian and Polish. As the time arrived when he must report for military duty and begin the four years required in service, he so abhorred the idea that he resolved to escape. From Kovno he made his way to Hamburg on the Elbe river, the great German maritime port, and there took steamship for New York City in free America, where he arrived eleven days later. From New York City he went direct to Beverly, New Jersey, finding employment there with a farmer. Two weeks later he secured work in the bridge building plant there, going thence to Camden, where he was employed by the New York Shipbuilding Company. After two years at the shipyards on the Delaware at Camden, he spent two years on a farm in Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, then again crossing to New Jersey, and at Burlington learning the silk weaver's trade. From Burlington, New Jersey, he came again to Pennsylvania, locating in Easton, where he was first employed in the Haytock Silk Mill, going later to the Standard Silk Mill, spending two years in these two mills as a silk weaver. He then formed a partnership and opened a meat market at No. 668 Northampton street. Later he moved to his present location, No. 676 Northampton street, and in July, 1918, bought the property, which he has rebuilt and greatly improved.

Napoleon Malkveh, father of Felix P. Malkveh, had served his allotted time in the Russian Army, and being over seventy years of age when the present war broke out, it is not likely that he was called on for service. But his son has had no definite word and is in ignorance of whatever fate had befallen them. Napoleon Malkveh learned the carpenter's trade in Kovno, but later became a farmer, as outlined previously. Napoleon and Sophia Malkveh were the parents of six children: Michalena, who came to the United States, and is now living in Beverly, New Jersey; Michael, who also came to the United States, and is now living in Riverside, New Jersey, near his sister; Josephine, living in Russia; Felix P., of previous mention; Annie, who came to the United States, and in 1914, not dreaming of the great upheaval which was to occur in Europe, returned to her old Russian home with her husband and two children, and has been compelled to remain there ever since, their return to the United States being impossible; Louis, who also left his Russian home in Kovno, came to the United States, and is now located on a farm at Conshohocken, Pennsylvania.

**FRANCIS C. VLOSSAK** The birthplace and early environment which surrounded Father Vlossak were not conducive to independence or self-assertion, but nevertheless the restraining forces were not sufficient to control him, and although he served his time in the Austrian Army, he broke away from autocratic rule at the first opportunity, and under the Stars and Stripes has been recreated a hundred per cent. American. Not only is he such in fact, but he is an apostle of Americanism, and as a result of his patriotic preaching over sixty of his boys from the parish of Sts. Cyrillus and Methodus, South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, were with the American Expeditionary Forces in France. As a minister of the Gospel he is both learned and effective; his

record as a builder of churches, as an organizer, and an administrator, shows him to possess rare quality. As a pastor, he has won his way close to the hearts of his people, and the good Father accompanied by his shepherd dog is a familiar figure in South Bethlehem, as he makes his calls upon the sick and needy. He has a medal for his work on Liberty bonds. He is chairman of the American organization.

Francis C. Vlossak was born in Bobro, a town of Hungary, Europe, October 10, 1864, and there obtained his primary education. In 1881 he entered the gymnasium at Grosswarden (Hungarian name, Nagyvarad), a city of Hungary among the oldest, the seat of two Catholic bishops, one of the Latin, the other of the Greek rite. The city has a college of law, and many other higher educational institutions, and there he pursued his studies to graduation. Being intended for the priesthood, he then entered the seminary at Bistritz (Hungarian name, Bisrtercze), a town of Hungary, passing thence to the American College, at Louvain, Belgium. During this period he had also performed his service in the Austrian Army, stationed at Vienna. Since he was destined for the church in the United States, he acquired the English tongue, and completed his studies in divinity. In that beautiful Belgian town, since doomed to fate which is not equalled for its horrors save the other Belgian and French cities which came under the brutal, conscientiousless German power, Father Vlossak was ordained to the priesthood of the Roman Catholic church, and from there came to the United States in September, 1891, and was made assistant to Monsignor William Heiner, at Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania. He remained there one year, then was appointed rector at Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania, with missions among the Slavs at McAdoo, Shipptown, Shenandoah, St. Clair, Minersville, Lehigh-ton, Shamokin and Mount Carmel. In 1897 he was transferred to the parish of Sts. Cyrillus and Methodus, a Slav congregation at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and there he passed ten fruitful years. In 1907 a call came from the archbishop of the Philadelphia diocese, and Father Vlossak spent four years in Philadelphia. In 1911 he was returned to his old parish, Sts. Cyrillus and Methodus, much to the satisfaction of that parish and himself.

Father Vlossak's work as an organizer and builder of churches has been demonstrated wherever he has been in charge. At Mahanoy City, McAdoo, Philadelphia, Shenandoah and Bethlehem, churches have been built by him, and in South Bethlehem his large Slav congregation worships in a handsome church built since Father Vlossak's coming; the parish owns also a rectory and a fine recreation hall for use of the young parishioners, where they are instructed in physical culture and athletics under the direction of the Catholic Sokol Society. The rectory adjoining the church also was erected by the parish since Father Vlossak came to them as their rector and leader. A school of five hundred children, with eight sisters in attendance, is located adjoining the church and parish on Linden street. This school has been established nine years, that is the old church. For four and one-half years, winter and summer, he went fifteen miles to McAdoo every Sunday morning at four o'clock to give Mass, through rain or snow. The good Father is devoted to the interests of his parish, and is constant in his efforts to render to every member just the help he needs just when he needs it. He now holds missions at Bridgeport, Connecticut, and at Uniontown, Pennsylvania. Everybody in South Bethlehem knows him and all respect him, not alone as a priest of the church, but as a man and a good American citizen.

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**DOMINICK MANGINO**—In sunny Italy, in the city of Gioia, Province of Bari, thirty-eight miles from Taranto, Dominick Mangino, now a contractor and builder of Easton, Pennsylvania, was born and there spent his boyhood. He was the eldest of the five children of John and Grace (Romano)

Mangino, and when seven years of age was left fatherless. The father was left without means, and at this early age the boy Dominick began helping his mother earn the family living. The habits of industry and thrift which thus early became a part of his daily life and education were intensified as the lad grew older, and became an integral part of his nature. As every opportunity was improved then, so each succeeding one has been, and when in freer, kinder surroundings, he eagerly grasped the new and better opportunities, and he is now one of Easton's trusted builders and citizens.

Some years after being left a widow by the death of John Mangino, Mrs. Grace (Romano) Mangino married a second husband, Dominick Merchione. Some of her sons served efficiently in the Italian Army, and in the great World War, 1914-18, upheld their country's honor against the attacks of the cruel and conscienceless Germans. A younger brother of Dominick, Archangel, was killed in battle shortly after Italy joined the Allies.

Dominick Mangino was born March 26, 1882, began light work at the age of seven, and at the age of fifteen was a mason's helper. At that age he began learning the mason's trade. He served a five years' apprenticeship, then was with his uncle, Oranzo Latarollo, engaged in contracting. At the age of twenty-three, in 1905, he came to the United States, arriving in New York, where he remained until 1912, engaged as a contractor and living at No. 62 Oliver street. During that period he married, and in 1912 removed to Easton, Pennsylvania, his present home and place of business. In New York he only worked at his trade as a journeyman for about one year, then began contracting, becoming well known and prosperous. In Easton he has duplicated that success, and has built many houses during his six years in the city. He has erected for his own account and still owns four double tenement houses on Madison street, another on Canal street, and a single house on Apricot street, also vacant lots elsewhere. He is assisted in his work by his wife, and his success is the more remarkable, owing to the fact that his education was sadly neglected, he not being able to read. He is a member of St. Anthony Roman Catholic Church, and of Easton Board of Trade, and in politics is a Republican.

Dominick Mangino married, June 6, 1909, Dora Farina, born in Santa Stefano, Island of Sicily, Italy, December 6, 1893, but was brought to the United States by her mother when three months old, her father being in this country. Her mother returned to Italy, but when her daughter was eighteen months old came again to New York. Mrs. Mangino was educated in New York City public schools, and while living in that city was married. She is the daughter of Angelo and Jennie (Serio) Farina. Her maternal grandmother, Domiana Palmisano, is now living with her children, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Farina, in Easton, aged sixty-seven years. Her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Basila Farina, died in Italy, aged one hundred and three years, her husband, Antonio Farina, also living to very advanced years. Mr. and Mrs. Mangino are the parents of four children: John, Angelo, Grace and Joseph.

**JAMES G. MECHALAKOS**—As one of the proprietors of the "Easton Sweet Shop," at the northeast corner of Center square, Easton, operated by the firm, Laskaris & Mechalakos, the partners have taken a prominent place in the Greek mercantile colony of Easton. James G. Mechalakos is a son of George Mechalakos, and a grandson of Thomas Mechalakos, the latter a wheat grower and sheep raiser in the province of Sparta, Greece. George Mechalakos was born, lived and died at the home farm in Sparta, Greece, a wheat farmer, a grape and olive grower. He died in 1906, aged sixty-two years. He married Demetre Matthews, who survives him, still living at the old farm in Greece, aged seventy years. Children: Viggia, living in Greece; Katherine, living in Greece; Stavros, living in Sparta; Stratigo, living in



the old country; James G., of further mention; Anthony, who was a member of the United States Army of Occupation, stationed in the town of Esteraach, Germany, now returned to the United States; he joined the United States Army in Albany, New York.

James G. Mechalakos was born near the city of Sparta, Greece, in the town of Xerokampe, April 24, 1886. This town is in the center of an olive growing district, and there the lad attended school and helped in the fields until the age of fifteen, his father being a wheat grower as well as a fruit raiser. He remained at home with his father as his farm assistant for two years, after leaving school, and then, in 1903, at the age of seventeen, came to the United States, sailing from Antwerp and landing in New York in the spring of that year. For part of one year he was employed in Brooklyn, then started a restaurant at the corner of Gates avenue and Broadway, Brooklyn, in partnership with his brother, Anthony. They continued in profitable business until 1914, when James G. sold out to his brother. In 1916 he located in Easton, formed a partnership with a fellow countryman, and opened the Easton Sweet Shop under the firm name, Laskaris & Mechalakos. Mr. Mechalakos is a member of the Greek Orthodox church.

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**OTTO TACHOVSKY**—Four-fifths of the people of Bohemia are Czechs, a Slavic race with a language of their own, an old and well developed literature, and strong national feeling. The recent creation of a Czech-Slovak nation as a result of the recent great war recalls the fact that a bitter struggle for ascendancy had long existed between Czechs and Germans of Bohemia, the Czechs regarding the country as their national domain, it having originally been a Slavic kingdom. They long insisted on the right of Bohemia to enjoy an autonomous position under the Austro-Hungarian monarch analogous to that held by Hungary. Bohemia derives its name from its earliest inhabitant, the Boii, a Celtic, who was expelled soon after the beginning of the Christian era. About the middle of the sixth century a numerous army of Czechs entered the country and subdued it. Since 1526 Bohemia has been ruled by the house of Austria, and prior to the recent war was a province and nominal kingdom of Austria-Hungary. Even prior to the year 1900, the revival of a national spirit among the Czechs had culminated in a revolutionary agitation which was a menace to the Austro-Hungarian realm, and when the Allied victories of 1918 paved the way, the Czech-Slovak government seized the reins.

It is in this country which possesses one of the largest institutions of learning in Europe, the University of Prague, that Otto Tachovsky was born, April 9, 1873, son of John and Therezia (Sekerka) Tachovsky, the family of pure Czech origin. His father was a brewer, and until the winter of 1888 the lad, Otto, remained at home. He then came to the United States, landed in New York City at Castle Garden, December 18, 1888, and soon found his way to Phoenixville, where he found employment in the general store owned by John Gosztpnyi. He also helped to edit and print *The Slovjak Ameriki*, one of the first papers to be printed in the Slavic language in the United States. He also aided in the mechanical preparation of the first book printed in the Slavic language in the United States, entitled, "Janosik," the romance of a national hero. The lad, Otto, remained in Phoenixville for about two years, then spent the years, until 1893, in the city of Philadelphia, where he added to his educational equipment by night school attendance. He was variously employed in Philadelphia, and after attending the World's Fair in Chicago, in 1893, he settled in South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, finding employment in the William Zerwik meat market. A year there was followed by a term of service in Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, in a general store and meat market. He then returned to South Bethlehem, where he embraced an opportunity to purchase the Zerwik meat market, in which he had for-





*Augustus H. Leibert*

merly been employed. He became proprietor of that business in 1876, and for four years he conducted it very successfully. In 1900 he purchased the Arcade Hotel from the Steinmiller estate, and from that year he has been its popular and successful proprietor. He has other important business interests in Bethlehem; is second vice-president of the People's Trust Company; member of the Chamber of Commerce; director of the War Chest fund; and is one of the leading men of his nationality in his city, public-spirited and very progressive, always ready to aid in any movement for Bethlehem's advancement. He is president of the Bethlehem branch of the Czecho-Slavic League, a purely patriotic order, organized for the purpose of raising money to help prosecute the war and to encourage enlistments in the army.

Mr. Tachovsky married, February 2, 1896, Irene Gosztpnyi, sister of John Gosztpnyi, deceased, a prominent banker of South Bethlehem. They are the parents of three children: John Phillip, born in 1898, who, while in his junior year at Lehigh University, enlisted in the United States Army in the Ambulance Corps as a volunteer, and was with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, and is now (1919) a student in mechanical engineering at the Edinburgh University, Scotland; Harry Ferdinand, a graduate of Mercersburg Academy, and a member of the class of 1925, medical department, University of Pennsylvania; Irene Victoria, attending the Moravian Young Ladies' Seminary.

### AUGUSTUS H. LEIBERT

1868 — 1918

Presented to Augustus H. Leibert, in commemoration of  
his fifty years of active service in the  
Moravian Trombone Choir.

This is the inscription on a beautiful loving cup presented to Mr. Leibert by the members of the choir (and that means all) on the fiftieth anniversary of his becoming a member. The fifty years which the cup certifies he has been connected with the choir, and he was twenty when he joined, have not impaired his musical powers nor caused his touch to falter. This beautiful tribute from his friends was deeply appreciated by the veteran musician, who has given fifty years of his seventy to the service of this famous organization, of which Bethlehem is justly proud, "The Moravian Trombone Choir." He is a descendant of Michael Leibert, who came from Germany and settled in Germantown (Philadelphia), Pennsylvania. He died a young man, but his widow, Barbara, married a second husband, a Moravian, and after his death, settled in Bethlehem, in 1768. Martin Leibert, son of Michael and Barbara Leibert, was born in Germantown, and settled in Emaus, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, there making spinning wheels. The Leiberts multiplied and grew numerous, Leibert's Creek and Leibert's Gap, in Milford township, Lehigh county, testifying to the importance of the family. At Leibert's Gap, both Henry, the grandfather, and William, the father, were born, and lived until the latter removed to Bethlehem in 1838. He married Cornelia Matilda Krause, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Her great-grandfather, Henry Krause, conducted the first butcher shop in Bethlehem, and his sons and grandsons all followed the same business, this continuing for six generations of Krauses in that same business.

Augustus H. Leibert, son of William and Cornelia M. (Krause) Leibert, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, March 11, 1848. He obtained his education in the Moravian Parochial School, and after finishing his studies he became a clerk in the old-established general store, A. Wolle & Company. He continued with that firm for six years, then for five years was in the employ of the Moravian Book Store. He then started a book and stationery store under his own name, and also maintained a circulating library in con-



nection therewith. He continued in private business until 1883, when he sold out and accepted a position as librarian of Lehigh University, remaining one year. He then, by special request, returned to the Moravian Book Store, continuing there until 1894. In that year he again opened a private book store, which he conducted until 1901. For two years, 1901-03, he worked with Professor Edward H. Williams, who was preparing a genealogy of the Williams family, but in 1903 Professor Williams resigned his position with Lehigh University, and moved to Andover, Massachusetts, Mr. Leibert than abandoning the work. He has since been employed in clerical work by the Bethlehem Steel Company. At the present time he is with the South Bethlehem National Bank.

A natural musician, Mr. Leibert had some of the advantages of capable instruction in the beginning, but even thus handicapped, his ability was soon discovered and he was inducted into the Moravian Church Choir, and in 1868 became a member of the Trombone Choir, of which he is yet a member at the age of seventy-one years. He has always been active in Moravian church work, and is particularly well informed on the history of the church. Since 1870 he has been a member of the Moravian Historical Society, and he is the author of a published work on Moravian history dealing with historical and statistical matter relating to the Widows' Society of Bethlehem, from 1770 to 1915. He is secretary and does all statistical work for the Widows' Society of the Moravian church, he having held that office since 1886. He has been secretary of the Home Mission Society since 1882. He was a member of the Philharmonic Society of Bethlehem until it passed out of existence, after a life of thirty-three years, 1850-83. Mr. Leibert's library is one of his most cherished possessions, and there the lover of old books and prints may revel. Some of his books date back to 1742, and some old prints to 1784. He is very active and energetic, does not give any indication of the years he carries and thoroughly enjoys work, and says it "Keeps him young."

Mr. Leibert married (first) September 16, 1875, at Bethlehem, Aravesta E. Blank, who died in 1883, leaving one daughter, Ella. He married (second) in 1888, Annie E. Witter, of New York City. She died in 1916, leaving two daughters: Florence A. and Elizabeth E. The family home is No. 331 Goepp street, Bethlehem.

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**VASILIOS LASKARIS**—With a good education and eighteen months experience as a dry-goods clerk, Vasilios Laskaris left his native Sparta, Greece, at the age of eighteen years. He journeyed from Sparta to Athens, thence to Pireus, where he took passage for the United States, going to Italy by sailing vessel, there embarking on a steamship for New York, arriving February 13, 1903. He located in Easton, Pennsylvania, in June, 1916, and is now proprietor of the "Easton Sweet Shop" at the northeast corner of Center square. He is a son of William Laskaris, a well-to-do owner of olive groves in Sparta, Greece, who died some months before his only son, Vasilios, was born, his first child and only daughter being now the widow of Nicholas Conides, who resides in Greece with an only daughter, Eugenie. Mrs. Melea (Mutulos) Laskaris, mother of Vasilios Laskaris, and widow of William Laskaris, still resides in Greece at the old homestead.

Vasilios Laskaris was born in Sparta, Greece, June 14, 1884, and there passed through the grades corresponding to high school in this country, and then spent one year at a college in Githion, Sparta. At the age of sixteen he left college, although it was his mother's desire that he finish his college course, but he had ambitions to begin a business career, and prevailing in his wishes he found employment with the dry-goods firm, Papageozgiou, Malukos & Co., dry-goods merchants. He remained with that firm eighteen months, then came to the United States, arriving February 13, 1913, in New

York, where he remained a short time with relations. From New York he went to Baltimore, Maryland, there remaining eight months, employed as a clerk in a confectionery store. After a short stay in New York, after leaving Baltimore, he went to Providence, Rhode Island, where he was again employed in a confectionery store for eight months, then again returned to New York. There he remained eight years in the employ of the Boston Candy Company, on Sixth avenue. At the expiration of that period he located in Scranton, Pennsylvania, there remaining two years, employed in a candy store. He next moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, in June, 1916, and with John F. Davis as a partner bought the business of E. Alex & Company, No. 405 Northampton street, and there for one year engaged in the manufacture and retail sale of confectionery. They then sold the business back to Mr. Alex, and separated. It was Mr. Laskaris' intention to again engage in business, but not until a good location could be secured in Easton. This chance came to him later through the good offices of Thomas Hay, and the store at the north-east corner of Center square was secured. He formed a partnership with his cousin, J. G. Mechalakos, and they opened the "Easton Sweet Shop," which they are successfully conducting. Mr. Laskaris is a member of the Greek Orthodox church, and has taken out his first naturalization papers.

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**MICHAEL A. PILLA**—The Pilla family is of old Spanish origin, settling in Italy in the thirteenth century. The members of the family were distinguished among their fellows, leaders in military, legal, religious, literary and educational affairs, and a member of this family, Leopoldo Pilla, in 1844 fought on the battleground at Curtatone against the Austrians. The family have a coat-of-arms.

Vincent Pilla, father of Michael A. Pilla, a native of Italy, came to Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1896, and there now resides, a merchant tailor in Easton for many years. He married Josephine Spetrino, their children being as follows: Michael A., of whom further; Louis, a designer, of New York City; Emily, wife of Alphonso Grimaldi, of Easton; Angelina, wife of Oratio Santopuoli; Harry, who enlisted as a soldier in the United States Army, was in officers' training camp at Camp Lee; Leonard, who enlisted as a soldier in the United States Army, in the Aviation Corps, stationed at Dayton, Ohio; Ida, residing with her parents.

Michael A. Pilla was born in Riccia, a town of Italy, thirteen miles from Campobasso, October 22, 1875, and there passed the first twelve years of his life. On coming to the United States in 1887, he lived for a short time in New York City, then moved to Long Branch, Monmouth county, New Jersey, where he attended school. At the age of eighteen years he returned to Italy, and was held for service in the Italian Army, serving three years, attaining the rank of sergeant. During that period he was engaged in active service in North Africa, and was wounded in the left arm. He came again to the United States in 1899, and for a year was employed by B. Altman & Company in New York City. In 1900 he joined his parents in Easton, and entered the employ of Judge William McKeen, taking charge of the tailoring department of his business. He continued in that position until 1904, then established in business for himself, and has built up a good business as an exclusive ladies' tailor. He is a member of the Easton Board of Trade, president of the Garibaldi Society, and one of its founders, and member of St. Anthony Di Padua Roman Catholic Church. He takes his recreations with his gun and car, being fond of both hunting and motoring. He is a Democrat in politics, and takes an active part in political affairs. During the Liberty Loan and other patriotic drives in Easton, he organized and presented them to the Italian citizens, and met with much success. He was the organizer of the Garibaldi Society in Easton, and the first to make a display of fireworks.

Mr. Pilla married, July 26, 1902, Carmela Rongetti, born in Italy, daughter of Nicola and Raphael (Cirino) Rongetti.

**WILLIAM VINE**—For many generations the ancestors of William Vine, of Easton, were inhabitants of Greece in Europe, and there many of the name yet remain. William Vine, too, was born in that land famed for its heroes, philosophers and sages, his birthplace, Corinth, the date, March, 1884. There he remained until sixteen years of age, obtaining a good education in State schools. In the year 1900 he came to the United States, landing in New York, but a few days later went to Nashua, New Hampshire, there finding employment in one of the many shoe factories of that city. Eighteen months were spent in Nashua in profitable employment and in acquiring the English tongue and American ways. Then the high wages paid attracted him to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, but less than a year was spent there, his employment being in a steel mill of the Pittsburgh district. He came to Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1903, his first employment here being in a silk mill, where he became an expert in silk weaving and remained several years. The high wages earned in all these occupations were carefully conserved, and in 1916 were drawn upon to finance a grocery business which he established at the corner of Second and Ferry streets, Easton, Pennsylvania. He fitted his store in modern style, installed up-to-date equipment and method of merchandising, and here is building up a good trade. He is a member of the Greek Orthodox church, and is highly regarded by his countrymen of the city and by all with whom he comes in contact. He is unmarried.

The parents of William Vine, of Easton, Thomas and Georgia (Orgyropovlo) Vine, were inhabitants of the city of Corinth, Greece, the father now deceased, the mother yet residing there. Thomas Vine was a carpenter and skilled wood worker. There were five children in the family: Nikolas, Constantine, William, Theophilus and James.

**CLAUDE H. KIEFER**—Four months after the birth of their son Claude H., his parents, Telghman and Margaret (Stone) Kiefer, moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, and there yet reside, the father employed as head packer in the chemical works, the son superintendent of one of the knitting mills of the Chipman Mills Company.

Claude H. Kiefer is a grandson of William Kiefer, who was a farmer of Raubsville, Pennsylvania, both he and his wife long gone to their reward. Their son, Telghman Kiefer, was born at Raubsville, June 12, 1854, and there attended school and worked on the home farm until reaching manhood. He was a painter by trade, and after his marriage located at Carpentersville, New Jersey, where he resided until the summer of 1888, when he moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, which has since been his home. In 1901 he retired from painting, and has been continuously in the employ of the Easton Chemical Works as head packer. He is a member of the Presbyterian church, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in politics is a Republican. He married Margaret Stone, born May 8, 1864, daughter of Henry Stone, an Englishman, and his wife, Margaret (Sailor) Stone, of Swedish descent. Mr. and Mrs. Kiefer are the parents of twin sons: Claude H., of further mention; and Flaude W., who married Haidie Person, and resides in Easton.

Claude H. Kiefer was born in Carpentersville, Warren county, New Jersey, five miles south of Phillipsburg, March 26, 1888. A few months later his parents moved to Easton, Pennsylvania, and there he was educated in the public schools and Lerch's Academy, continuing a student at the last-named institution for one year. After leaving school he entered the employ of the Chipman Mills, beginning in the knitting department and going through several other departments until his knowledge embraced the various details of hosiery manufacture. In 1910 he was appointed foreman in one

of the West Easton mills of the company, and later was advanced to the position of assistant superintendent, under J. C. Kane, general superintendent of the company. Later, when the company completed a mill at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Mr. Kiefer was sent there to put it in operation and manage it. This he did until April 1, 1916, when he was made superintendent of one of the West Easton mills, the position he is now ably filling. He is thoroughly capable, and highly regarded by those with whom he is associated. Mr. Kiefer is a member of the Presbyterian church; Easton Lodge No. 152, Free and Accepted Masons; Easton Chapter No. 173, Royal Arch Masons; Columbia Lodge No. 139, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Easton Lodge No. 121, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and in politics is strictly independent.

Mr. Kiefer married, in Easton, October 18, 1911, Sarah Clarke, of Easton, daughter of John and Aurora (Hahn) Clarke. Mrs. Kiefer is also a member of the Presbyterian church.







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